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## We the People... The Citizen and the Constitution LEVELS II & III

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#### **CORRELATION GUIDE**

for

State of Illinois Social Science State Curriculum Goals

STATE GOAL 14: Understand political systems with an emphasis on the United States.

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As a result of their schooling students will be able to:

LEARNING	LEARNING Middle/Junior High	We the People Level II	Farly High School	We the People Level III	I ata Hish Sahaal	We the People Level III
STANDARD	School	Correlating Text	many maga octavor	Correlating Text	Pare rugu sensor	Correlating Text
A. Understand and explain basic principles of the United States government.	14.A.3 Describe how responsibilities are shared and limited by the United States and Illinois Constitution.	UNIT 4, Lessons 18-22 How was the Constitution used to establish our government?	14.A.4 Analyze how local, state and national governments serve the purposes for which they were created.	UNIT 3, Lessons 18-22 How Did the Values and Principles Embodied in the Constitution Shape American Institutions and Practices?	14A.5 Analyze ways in which federalism protects individual rights and promotes the common good and how at times has made it most be for	UNIT 1, Lesson 3 What Did the Founders Learn about Republican Government from the Analust World? ITMT 3, Lesson 1827
				Institutions and Practices?	times has made it possible for states to protect and deny rights for certain groups.	UNIT'S, Lessons 18-22 How Did the Values and Principles Embodied in the Constitution Shape American Institutions and Practices? UNIT'4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Been Devolvoed and Evanded?
B. Understand the structures and functions of the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.	14.B.3 Identify and compare the basic political systems of Illinois and the United States as prescribed in their constitutions.	UNIT 4, Lessons 18-22 How was the Constitution used to establish our government?	14.B.4 Compare the political systems of the United States to other nations.	UNIT 1, Lesson 2 How Does Government Secure Netured Rights? UNIT 6, Lesson 38 What Can American Cilizens Learn about Constitutionalism from Other Countries	14.B.5 Analyze similarities and differences among world political systems (e.g., democracy, socialism, communism).	How Does Government Secure Natural Rights? Unit 6, Lesson 38 What Can American Cirizens Learn about Constitutionalism
C. Understand elections processes and responsibilities of citizens	14.C.3. Compare historical issues involving rights, roles and status of individuals in relation to numicipalities, states and the nation.	UNIT 5, Lessons 23-27 How does the Constitution protect our basic rights?	14.C.4 Describe the meaning of participatory chizenship (e.g., volunteerism, voting) at all levels of government and society in the United States.	UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40 What Are the Roles of the Cilizen in American Democracy?	14.C.5 Analyze the consequences of participation in the electoral process (e.g., women's suffrage, voer registration, effects of media).	UNIT 4, Lesson 27 How Hee the Right to Vote Expanded Since the Adoption of the Constitution? UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40 What Are the Roles of the Chitzen to American Democracie?
D. Understand the roles and influences of individuals and interest groups in the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.	14.D.3 Describe roles and influences of individuals, groups and media in shaping current Illinois and United States public policy (e.g., general public opinion, special interest groups, formal parties, media)	UNIT 4, Lesson 20 How did political parties develop? UNIT 6, Lessons 28-29 What are the responsibilities of citizans?	14.D.4 Analyze roles and influences of individuals, groups and media in shaping current debates on state and national policies.	UNIT 6, Lesson 36 How Do We Use Our Citizenship? UNIT 6, Lesson 39 What Are Some Constitutional Issues Facing United States Citizens in the Nation's Third Century?	14.D.5 Interpret a variety of public policies and issues from the perspectives of different individuals and groups.	UNIT 4, Lesson 28 To What Extent Can the Law Correct Injurtice and Other Problems in American Society? UNIT 5, Lessons 29-34 What Rights Does the Bill of Rights Protect?
E. Understand the United States foreign policy as it relates to other nations and international issues.	14.E.3 Compare the basic principles of the United States and its international interests (e.g., terriory, environment, trade, use of technology).		14.E.4 Analyze historical trends of United States feedign policy (e.g., emergence as a world leader - military, industrial, financial).	What Can American Citizens Learn about Constitutionalism from Other Countries?  What Are Some Constitutional Issues Facing United States Citizens in the Nation's Third Century?	14.E.5 Analyze relationships and tensions among members of the international community.	

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	LEARNING STANDARD  F. Understand the development of United States political ideas and traditions.
14.F.3b Describe how the United States political ideas and traditions were instituted in the Constitution and Bill of Rights.	Middle/Junior High School  14.F.3a Analyze historical influences on the development of political ideas and practices as enumerated in the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Illinois Constitution.
government?  UNIT 6, Lessons 28-29  What are the responsibilities of citizens?  UNIT 1, Lessons 1-4  What is government?  UNIT 2, Lessons 5-10  What experiences shaped the Founder's thinking about government?  UNIT 3, Lessons 11-17  What happened at the Philadelphia Convention?  UNIT 4, Lessons 18-22  How was our Constitution used to establish our government?	We the People., Level II Correlating Text UNIT I, Lessons 1-4 What is government? UNIT 2, Lessons 5-10 What experiences shaped the Founder's thinking about government? UNIT 3, Lessons 11-17 What happened at the Philadelphia Convention? UNIT 4, Lessons 18-22 How was our Constitution used to establish our
14.F.4b Describe how United States' political idens, practices and technologies have extended rights for Americans in the 20th century (e.g., suffrage, civil rights, motor-voter registration).	Early High School  14.F.4a Determine the historical events and processes that brought about changes in United States political idens and traditions (e.g., the New Deal, Civil War).
Institutions and Practices?  UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28  How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Been Developed and Expanded?  UNIT 5, Lessons 29-34  What Rights Does the Bill of Rights Protect?  UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40  What Are the Roles of the Cilizen in an American Democracy?  UNIT 4, Lesson 23  What Frotect Contitutional Issues That Led to the Civil War?  UNIT 4, Lesson 28  To What Extent Con the Low Correct Injustice and Other Problems in American Society?  UNIT 5, Lessons 29-34  What Rights Does the Bill of Rights Protect?  UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40  What Are the Roles of the Cilizen in an American Democracy?	We the Feople Level III Correlating Text UNIT 1, Lessons 1-9 What Are the Philosophical and Historical Foundations of the American Political System? UNIT 2, Lessons 10-17 How Did the Framers Create the Constitution? UNIT 3, Lesson 18-22 How Did the Values and Principles Embodied in the Constitution Shape American
	Late High School  14.F. 5 Interpret how changing geographical, economic, technological and social forces affect United States political ideal and traditions.
	Correlating Text UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Bean Developed and Expanded? UNIT 5, Lessons 23-28 What Rights Does the Bill of Rights Protect?

# WHY THIS GOAL IS IMPORTANT

The existence and advancement of a free society depend on the knowledge, skills and understanding of its citizenry. Through study of various forms and levels of government and the documents and institutions of the United States, students will develop the skills and knowledge that they need to be contributing citizens, now and in the future.

# STATE GOAL 16: Understand events, trends, individuals and movements shaping the history of Illinois, the United States and other nations.

Local, State and United States History (U.S.)	Prosperity, depression, the New Deal and World War II from 1920 to 1945	Fragmentation and interaction of civilizations from 500 to 1100 CE
Early history in the Americas to 1620     Colonial history settlement to 1763	<ul> <li>Post World War II and the Cold War from 1945 to 1968</li> <li>Contemporary United States from 1968 to present</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Centralization of power in different regions from 1000 to 1500 CE</li> <li>Early modern world from 1450 to 1800</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>The American Revolution and early national period to 1820's</li> <li>Nutional Expansion from 1815 to 1850</li> </ul>	World History (W)  • Prehistory to 2000 BCE	<ul> <li>Global unrest, change and revolution from 1750 to 1850</li> <li>Global encounters and imperialism and their effects from 1850 to 1914</li> </ul>
The Civil War and Reconstruction from 1850-1877     Development of the industrial United States from 1865 to 1914	<ul> <li>Early civilizations, nonwestern empires, and tropical civilizations</li> <li>The rise of pastoral peoples to 1000 BCE</li> </ul>	The twentieth century to 1945     The contemporary world from 1945 to the present

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														<ul> <li>b. Understand the development of significant political events.</li> </ul>	STANDARD
16.R.3d (W) Describe the political effects of European exploration and expansion on the Americas, Asia, and Africa after 1500 CE.	16.B.3c (W) Identify causes and effects of European feudalism and the emergence of nation states between 500 CE and 1500 CE.	16.B.3b (W) Identify causes and effects of the decline of the Roman empire and other major world political events (e.g., rise of the Islamie empire, rise and decline of the Tang dynasty, establishment of the kingdom of Ghana) between 500 CE and 1500 CE.	with non-Western elvizations, including the early Han dynasty and Gupta empire, between 500 BCE and 500 CE.	16.B.3a (W) Compare the political characteristics of Greek and Roman deliberations	16B.3d (U.S.) Describe ways in which the United States developed as a world political power.	amendments and Supreme Court decisions.	16.B3c (U.S.) Describe the way the Constitution has changed over time as a result of		States Constitution.	reflected in the Declaration of Independence and the United	and why the colonies fought for their independence and how	national period.  16.B.3b (U.S.) Explain how	development of political institutions during the early	16.B.7a (U.S.) Describe how different groups competed for power within the colonies and how that competition led to the	Middle/Junior High School
						UNIT 5, Lessons 23-27 How does the Constitution protect our basic rights?	UNIT 4, Lesson 21 Who decides what the Constitution means?	What happened at the Philadelphia Convention?	Declaration of Independence? UNIT 3, Lessons 11-17	What basic ideas about government were in the	What experiences led to the American Revolution?	UNIT 2, Lesson 6			Correlating Text
			AT .				Enlightenment and that persist today (e.g., church/state relationships)	16.B.4a (W) Identify political ideas that began during the Renaissance and the					Progressivism New Deal, New Conservative).	16.B.4 (U.S.) Identify political ideas that have dominated United States historical eras (e.g. Federalist Jacksonian	Early High School
							0	UNIT 1, Lesson 4 How Did Modern Ideas of Individual Rights Develoo?	Political Parties?	Ratification? UNIT 3, Lesson 20	When Was the Federalists'  Position in the Debate about	Position in the Debate about Ratification?	UNIT 2, Lesson 16 What Was the Anti-Federalists'	UNIT 2, Lesson 15 What Conflicting Opinions Did the Framers Have about the Commissed Constitution?	Correlating Text
		related aspects of world economic, social and environmental history.	political ideologies including democracy and torditarianism. 16.B.5c (W) Analyze the relationship of an issue in	16.B.5b (W) Describe how tensions in the modern world are affected by different	isolated political events, including the events triggering the Napoleonic Wars and World Wars I and II.	16.B.5a (W) Analyze worldwide consequences of			environmental history.	United States political history has been influenced by the	16.B.5b (U.S.) Analyze how	government intervention in the economy).	have developed over time (e.g.,	16.B.5n (U.S.) Describe how modern political positions are affected by differences in ideologies and viewpoints that	Late High School
							What Are the Roles of the Citizen in American Democracy?	the Bill of Rights Been Developed and Expanded? UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40	UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of	How Did the Framers Create the Constitution?	UNIT 2, Lessons 10-17	What Are the Roles of the Citizen in American	System? UNIT 6, Lessons 35-40	UNIT I, Lessons 1-9 What Are the Philosophical and Historical Foundations of the American Political	We the People Level III Correlating Text

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development of economic systems.	LEARNING STANDARD
to AJa (U-3) Describe economic motivations that attracted Europeans and others to the Americas, 1500-1750, 16.C.3b (U.S.) Explain relationships among the American economy and slavery, inmitigration, 1700-present 16.C.3c (U.S.) Describe how economic developments and government policies after 1865 affected the country's economic institutions including corporations, banks and government policies after 1800 to 1500 CE including long corporations, banks and organized labor.  16.C.3a (W) Describe major economic trends from 1000 to 1500 CE including long distance trade, banking, specialization, and technological and scientific progress.  16.C.3b (W) Describe the economic systems and trade patterns of North America, South America and Mesoamerica before the encounter with the Europeans.  16.C.3c (W) Describe the impact of technology (e.g., weapoury, transportation, printing press, microchips) in different parts of the world, 1500 - present.	Middle/Junior High School
UNIT 3, Lesson 13 What were the conflicts between the northern and southern states?	We the PeopleLevel II Correlating Text
trade patterns developed between the Americas and the rest of the global economy, 1500-1840.  16.C.40 (U.S.) Analyze the impact of westward expansion on the United Status economy, 160C-144 (U.S.) Describe how American economic institutions were shaped by industrialists, union leaders and groups including Southern migrants, Dust Bowl refugees, agricultural workers from Mexico and female workers since 1914.  16.C.4a (W) Describe the growing dominance of American and European capitalism and their institutions after 1500.  16.C.4b (W) Compare socialism and Africa after 1815 CE.  16.C.4c (W) Describe the impact of key individuals/ideas from 1500-present, including Adam Smith, Karl Marx, and John Maynard Keynes.  16.C.4d (W) Describe how the maturing economies of Western Europe and Jupan led to colonialism and imperialism.	Early High School
UNIT 1, Lesson 4 How Did Modern Idvas of Individual Rights Develop?  UNIT 1, Lesson 4 How Did Modern Ideas of Individual Rights Develop?	We the People Level III Correlating Text
and why the role of the Uniteds in the world economy has changed since World War II.  16.C.5b (U.S.) Analyze the relationship between an issue in United States economic history and the related aspects of political, social and environmental history.  16.C.5a (W.) Explain how industrial explains to beamne the dominant economic model in the world.  16.C.5b (W.) Describe how historical trends in population, urbantzation, economic development and technological advancements have caused change in world economic systems.  16.C.5c (W.) Analyze the relationship between and issue in world economic history and the related aspects of political, social and environmental history.	Late High School
	We the People Level III Correlating Text

E. Understand Illinois, United States and world environmental history.  It is and world united States  It is and impossible on 1  It is a states  It is a stat	D. Understand Illinois, United States and world kind social history.  16.1 Characteristics of the states and world kind ward of the states and world kind of the states and world ward of the states and world ward of the states and the states are states are states are states and the states are sta
16.E.3a (U.S.) Describe how early settlers in Illinois and the early settlers in Illinois and the United States adapted, used and changed the environment after 1818.  16.E.3b (U.S.) Describe how the largely rural population of the United States adapted, used and changed the environment after 1818.  16.E.3c (U.S.) Describe the impact of urbanization and suburbanization, 1850-present, on the environment.  16.E.3a (W) Describe bow the people of the Hunng He, Tigris-Emphrates, Nile and Indius river valleys shaped their environments during agricultural revolution, 4000-1000 BCE.  16.E.3b (W) Explain how expanded European and Asian contacts affected the environments, 1000 BCE-1500 CE.	School  Is.D.3a (U.S) Describe characteristics of different kinds of communities in various sections of America during the colonial/Frontier periods and the 19th century.  Is.D.3b (U.S.) Describe characteristics of different kinds of families in America during the colonial/Frontier periods and the 19th century.  Is.D.3 (W) Identify the origins and amilyze the consequences of events that have shaped world social history including famines, migrations, plagues, slave trading.
	UNIT 2, Lesson 9 What were Americans like in the 1780's  UNIT 2, Lesson 9 UNIT 2, Lesson 9 What were the Americans like in the 1780's?
I.6.E.4a (U.S.) Describe the causes and effects of conservation and environmental movements in the United States, 1900-present.  I.6.E.4b (U.S.) Describe different and sometimes competing views, as substantiated by scientific fact, that people in North America have historically held towards the environment (e.g., private and public land ownership and usc, resource use vs. preservation).  I.6.E.4a (W) Describe how cultural encounters among people of the world (e.g., Colombian exchange, opening of China and Japan to external trade, building of Suez cannl) affected the environment, L500-present.  I.6.E.4b (W) Describe how migration has aftered the world's environment since 1450.	LATLY HIGH SCHOOL  16.D.4a (U.S.) Describe the immediate and long-range social impacts of slavery.  16.D.4b (U.S.) Describe unintended social events in the United States history (e.g., Civil Warfemanicipation, National Defense Highway Act/decline of inner cities, Vietnam Warfanti-government activity).  16.D.4 (W) Identify significant events and developments since 1500 that altered world social history in ways that perisk today including colonization, industrialization, the rise of technology and human rights movements.
	UNIT 4, Lesson 13 What Powers Were Granted to the Legislative Branch? UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Been Developed and Expanded?  UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Been Developed and Expanded?  UNIT 4, Lessons 23-28 How Have the Protections of the Bill of Rights Been Developed and Expanded?  UNIT 6, Lessons 4 How Did Modern Ideas of Individual Rights Develop?  UNIT 6, Lesson 39 What Are Some Constitutional Issues Facing United States Citizens in the Nation's Third Century?
16.E.5a (U.S.) Analyze positive and negative and positive and negative and thuman effects on the environment in the United States including damming rivers, fensing prairies and building cities.  16.E.5b (U.S.) Analyze the relationship between an issue in United States environmental history and the related aspects of political economic and social history.  16.E.5a (W) Analyze how technological and scientific developments have affected human productivity, human comfort, and the environment.  16.E.5b (W) Analyze the relationship between an issue in world environmental history and the related aspects of political, economic and social history.	Late High School  16.D. 5 (U.S.) Analyze the relationship between an issue in the United States social history and the related aspects of political, economic, and environmental history.  16.D.5 (W) Analyze the related aspects of political, economic and the related aspects of political, economic and environmental history.
	Correlating Text  UNIT 4, Lesson 26  How Did the Civil Rights  Movement Use the Constitution to Achieve Its Goal?  UNIT 4, Lesson 28 To What Stront Can the Low Correct Injustice and Other Problems in American Society?  Problems in American Society?

# WHY THIS GOAL IS IMPORTANT

nations, actions and interactions have led to today's realities. In the process, they can better define their own roles as participating citizens. George Santayana said "those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." In a broader sense, students who can examine and analyze the events of the past have a powerful tool for understanding the events of today and the future. They develop an understanding of how people,

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As a result of their schooling students will be able to:

What are the responsibilities of citizens?				
your basic rights? UNIT 5, LESSONS 21-22	slavery, voting rights).	your basic rights?		
How does the Constitution protect	freedom of speech, right to bear arms,	How does the Constitution protect	rights and the concept of freedom.	
handled?	United States political traditions and	needed a government?	development of the United States	traditions.
How should the problem of slavery be	inconsistencies between expressed	Why did the Founders think we	traditions important to the	United States political ideas and
UNIT 2, Lesson 9	14.F.2 Identify consistencies and	UNIT 2, Lesson 2	14.F.1 Describe political ideas and	F. Understand the development of
	international settings.		other nations.	nations and international issues.
	leadership role of the United States in		federal government establishes with	foreign policy as it relates to other
	14.E.2 Determine and explain the		14.E.1 Identify relationships that the	E. Understand the United States
		What is the judicial branch?		
		What is the executive branch?		and other nations, the Onited States
	policy.	UNIT 3, Lesson 13	service leaders).	interest groups in the political
	and groups influence and shape public	What is the legislative branch?	leaders (e.g., elected leaders, public	influences of individuals and
	14.D.2 Explain ways that individuals	UNIT 3, Lesson 12	14.D.1 Identify the roles of civic	D. Understand the roles and
What are the responsibilities of citizens?	rights and responsibilities are important to the individual, family, community, workplace, state and nation (e.g., voting, protection under the law).	What are the responsibilities of citizens?	responsible citizenship including respect for the law, patriotism, civility and working with others.	and responsibilities of citizens.
UNIT 5 LESSONS 21-22	14.C.2 Describe and evaluate why	UNIT 5, LESSONS 21-22	14.C.1 Identify concepts of	C. Understand elections processes
How did the Framers organize our government?	does at local, state, and national levels.	What is the federal government?	government as local, state and national.	functions of the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.
UNIT 3, LESSONS 11-15	14.B.2 Explain what government	UNIT 3, Lesson 15	14.B.1 Identify the different levels of	B. Understand the structures and
to me Constitution:	THEODO CONSTITUTION	What is a constitutional government?		
What basic ideas are in the Preamble	United State Constitution and the	What is a republican government?	rights and the common good.	
UNIT 2, Lesson 10	the Declaration of Independence, the	UNIT 1, Lesson 3	government of the law, individual	
about government?	implied in major documents including	needed a government?	representative government,	government.
What were the Founders' basic ideas	fundamental concepts expressed and	Why did the Founders think we	principles of government including	principles of the United States
UNIT 1, LESSONS 1-6	14.A.2 Explain the importance of	UNIT 1, Lesson 2	14.A.1 Describe the fundamental	A. Understand and explain basic
We the People Level I Correlating Text	LATE ELEMENTARY	We the People Level 1 Correlating Text	EARLY ELEMENTARY	LEARNING STANDARD

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Tother nations.

#### Development of the industrial United States from 1865 to 1914 The Civil War and Reconstruction from 1850-1877 The American Revolution and early national period to 1820's National Expansion from 1815 to 1850 Colonial history settlement to 1763 · Early history in the Americas to 1620 Local, State and United States History (U.S.) HISTORICAL ERAS · Early civilizations, nonwestern empires, and tropical civilizations Post World War II and the Cold War from 1945 to 1968 The rise of pastoral peoples to 1000 BCE Prehistory to 2000 BCE Prosperity, depression, the New Deal and World War II from 1920 to 1945 World History (W) Contemporary United States from 1968 to present The emergence of the United States as a world power from 1890 to 1920 · The contemporary world from 1945 to the present The twentieth century to 1945 · Global encounters and imperialism and their effects from 1850 to 1914 Global unrest, change and revolution from 1750 to 1850 Fragmentation and interaction of civilizations from 500 to 1100 CE Early modern world from 1450 to 1800 Classical civilizations from 1000 BCE to 500 CE Centralization of power in different regions from 1000 to 1500 CE

As a result of their schooling students will be able to:

B. Understand the development of significant political events.	A. Apply the skills of historical analysis and interpretation.	LEARNING STANDARD
16.B.1a (U.S.) Identify key individuals and events in the development of the local community (e.g., Founders days, names of parks, streets, public buildings)  16.B.1b (U.S.) Explain why individuals, groups, issues and events are celebrated with local, state or national holidays or days of recognition (e.g. Lincoln's Birthday, Martin Luther King's Birthday, Pulaski Day, Fourth of July, Memorial Day, Labor day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving).  16.B.1 (W) Explain the contributions of individuals and groups who are featured in biographies, legends, folklore and traditions.	16.A.1a Explain the difference between past, present and future time; place themselves in time.  16.A.1b Ask historical questions and seek out answers from historical sources (e.g., myths, biographies, stories, old photographs, artwork, other visual or electronic sources).  16.A.1c Describe how people in different times and places viewed the world in different ways.	EARLY ELEMENTARY
	UNIT 1, LESSONS 1-5 What were the Founders' basic ideas about government UNIT 2, LESSONS 7-10 How was our Constitution written? UNIT 1, LESSONS 1-5 What were the Founders' basic ideas about government	We the People, Level I
I6.B.2a (U.S.) Describe how the European colonies in North America developed politically.  I6.B.2b(U.S.) Identify major causes of the American Revolution and describe the consequences of the Revolution through the early national period, including the roles of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin.  I6.B.3b (U.S.) Identify presidential elections that were pivotal in the formation of modern political parties.  I6.B.2d (U.S.) Identify major political events and leaders within the United States historical erns since the adoption of the Constitution, including the westward expansion, Louisiana purchase, Civil War, and 20th century wars as well as the roles of Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson, and Franklin D.  Roosevelt.  I6.B.2a (W) Describe the historical development of monarchies, oligarchies and eity-states in ancient civilizations.  I6.B.2b (W) Describe the origins of Western political ideas and institutions (e.g., Greek democracy, Roman republic, Magna Carta and Common Law, the Enlightenment)	It.A.2a Read historical stories and determine events which influenced their writing.  It.A.2b Compare different stories about a historical figure or event and analyze differences in the portrayals and perspectives they present.  It.A.2c Ask questions and seek answers by collecting and analyzing data from historical documents, images and other literary and non-literary sources.	LATE ELEMENTARY
UNIT 1, Lesson 1  What was America like in the 1770 8?  UNIT 1, Lesson 5  How did the Founders we their ideas in the Declaration of Independence?  UNIT 2, Lessons 7-10  How was our Constitution written?  UNIT 2, Lesson 9  How should the problem of slavery be handled?  UNIT 1, Lesson 3  What is a republican government?  UNIT 1, Lesson 4  What were the Founders' basic ideas about government?  UNIT 1, LESSONS 1-5  What were the Founders' basic ideas about government?	Correlating Text  UNIT 2, LESSONS 7-10  How was our Constitution written?	We the People, Level I

# SOCIAL SCIENCE GOAL 16 CONTINUED

As a result of their schooling students will be able to:

UNIT 1, Lesson 3 What is a republican government?	16.D.2 (W) Describe the various roles of men, women and children in the family, at work, and in the community in various time periods and places (e.g., ancient Rome, Medieval Europe, ancient China, Sub- Saharan Africa).			
to be treated equally by the government?  UNIT 4, Lesson 19  How does the Constitution protect your right to be treated fairly by the government?  UNIT 4, Lesson 20  How does the Constitution protect your right to vote?	Anthony/suffrage and Martin Luther King, Jr/civil rights, in the historical erns of Illinois and the United States.			
UNIT 4, Lesson 18 How does the Constitution protect your right	affected families and communities.  16.D.2c (U.S.) Describe the influence of key individuals and groups, including Susan B.		16.D.1 (W) Identify how customs and traditions from around the world influence the local community.	
	America.  16.D.2b (U.S.) Describe the ways in which participation in the westward movement		organizations, public service groups, community leaders) in the social history of the local community.	
What was America like in the 1770's?	16.D.2a (U.S.) Describe the various individual motives for settling in colonial		16.D.1 (U.S.) Describe key figures and organizations (e.g. fraternal/civic	D. Understand Illinois, United States and world social history.
	16.C.2b (W) Describe the basic economic systems of the world's great civilizations including Mesopotamia, Egypt, Aegean/Mediterranean and Asian civilizations, 1000 BCE - 500 CE.			
	16.C.2a (W) Describe the economic consequences of the first agricultural revolution, 4000 BCE - 1000 BCE.		technology and language.	
	to a service economy and the rise of technology that influenced history from the industrial development era to the present.		near twes.  16.C.1b (W) Explain how trade among people brought an exchange of ideas,	
	16.C.2c (U.S.) Describe significant economic events including industrialization, immigration, the Great Depression, the shift		groups in the past made economic choices (e.g., crops to plant, products to make, products to trade) to survive and improve	
	economic change through ideas, inventions and entrepreneurship.		over time.  16.C.1a (W) Identify how people and	
	Robert McCormack, George Washington Carver and Henry Ford, contributed to		16.C.1b (U.S.) Explain how the economy of the students' local community has changed	
	16.C.2b (U.S.) Explain how individuals, including John Deere. Thomas Edison.		traders in the region prior to the Black Hawk War.	
How should the problem of slavery be handled?	16.C.2a (U.S) Describe how slavery and indentured servitude influenced the early economy of the United States.		American people in Illinois engaged in economic activities with other tribes and	c. Understand the development of economic systems.
We the People, Level I Correlating Text	LATE ELEMENTARY	We the People, Level I Correlating Text	EARLY ELEMENTARY	LEARNING STANDARD

## SOCIAL SCIENCE GOAL 16 CONTINUED

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As a result of their schooling students will be able to:

					history.	States and world environmental	E. Understand Illinois, United
				natural environment that are found in myths, legends, folklore and traditions.	16.E.1. (W) Compare the depictions of the	environment has changed over time.	16.E.1 (U.S.) Describe how the local
16.E.2b (W) Identify individuals and their inventions (e.g., Watt/steam engine, Nobel/TNT, Edison/electric tight) which influenced world environmental history.	16.E.2a (W) Describe how people hunting and gathering and early pastoral societies adapted to their respective environments.	16.E.2c (U.S.) Describe environmental factors that influenced the development of transportation and trade in Illinois.	conservation movement including John Muir, Theodore Roosevelt and the creation of the National Park System.	16.E.2b (U.S.) Identify individuals and events in the development of the	region.	factors that drew settlers to the state and	16.E.2a (U.S.) Identify environmental
						What was America like in the 1770's?	UNIT I, Lesson I

## WHY THIS GOAL IS IMPORTANT

better define their own roles as participating citizens. develop and understanding of how people, nations, actions an interactions have led to today's realities. In the process, they can examine and analyze the events of the past have a powerful tool for understanding the events of today and the future. They George Santayana said "those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." In a broader sense, students who can

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How To Get Involved

GOAL 14: Understand political systems, with an emphasis on the United States.

Late Elementary

Learning Standards	Late Elementary	Project Citizen Correlation
A. Understand and explain basic principles of the United States government.	14.A.2 Explain the importance of fundamental concepts expressed and implied in major documents including the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution and the Illinois Constitution.	Step IV: Constitutional Opinion Form (p.30-31)
B. Understand the structures and functions of the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.	14.B.2 Explain what government does at local, state and national levels.	Step I: Examples of public policies an the agencies responsible for carrying them out (p.7)
C. Understand election processes and responsibilities of citizens.	14.C.2 Describe and evaluate why rights and responsibilities are important to the individual, family, community, workplace, state and nation (e.g., voting, protection under the law).	Step I: Identify and discuss problems involving Civil Liberties (p.10)
D. Understand the roles and influences of individuals and interest groups in the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.	14.D.2 Explain ways that individuals and groups influence and shape public policy.	Step III: Identifying sources of Information: Community Organizations and Interest Groups (p. 18)
		Step V: Take part in a simulated legislative hearing (p.33)
		Teacher's Guide: Defining public policy making process and citizens and the policy making process (pp.7-8)
E. Understand United States	14.E.2 Determine and explain the	
foreign policy as it relates to other		
nations and international issues.	in international settings.	

F. Understand the development of 14.F.2 Identify consistencies and United States political ideas and traditions.

inconsistencies between expressed United States political traditions and ideas and actual practices (e.g.

Learning Standards	Middle/Junior High School	Project Citizen Correlation
Residence Commission C	14.A.3 Describe how responsibilities are shared and limited by the United States and Illinois Constitutions and significant court decisions.	Step IV: Constitutional Opinion Form (p.30-31)
B. Understand the structures and functions of the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations. C. Understand election processes and responsibilities of citizens.	basic political systems of Illinois and the United States as prescribed in their constitutions.	Step I: Examples of public policies and the agencies responsible for carrying them out (p.7) Step I: Identify and discuss problems involving Civil Liberties (p.10)
D. Understand the roles and influences of individuals and interest groups in the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.	14.D.3 Describe roles and influences of individuals, groups and media in shaping current Illinois and United States public policy (e.g., general public opinion, special interest groups, formal parties, media).	Step III: Identifying sources of Information: Community Organizations and Interest Groups, Legislative Offices, and Administrative Offices (p. 18)  Step V: Take part in a simulated legislative hearing (p.33)
E. Understand United States foreign policy as it relates to other nations and international issues.	14.E.3 Compare the basic principles of the United States and its international interests (e.g., territory, environment, trade, use of technology).	
F. Understand the development of United States political ideas and traditions.	14.F.3a Analyze historical influences on the development of political ideas and practices as enumerated in the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Illinois Constitution.  14.F.3b Describe how United States political ideas and traditions were instituted in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.	Step IV: Constitutional Opinion Form (p.30-31)

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GOAL 1: Read with understanding and fluency.

Late Elementary

Learning Standards	Late Elementary	Project Citizen Correlation
A. Apply analysis and vocabulary skills to comprehend selections.	1.A.2a Read and comprehend unfamiliar words using root words, synonyms, antonyms, word origins and derivations.	1.A.2a-b Glossary: Each step I-VI reinforces vocabulary words found in glossary
B. Apply reading strategies to improve understanding and fluency.	1.A.2b Clarify word meaning using context clues and a variety of resources including glossaries, dictionaries, and thesauruses.  1.B.2a Establish purposes for reading; survey materials; ask questions; make predictions; connect, clarify and	Lesson requiring use of surveys, questionnaires, formulation of
	I.B.2b Identify structure (e.g., description, compare/contrast, cause and effect, sequence) of nonfiction texts to improve comprehension.  1.B.2c Continuously check and clarify for understanding (e.g., in addition to previous skills, clarify terminology, seek additional information).  1.B.2d Read age-appropriate material aloud	predictions and conclusions. Relevant forms are found on pages12-15, 20-21 & 30-31.  1.B.2b Steps I-VI: Techniques are reflected in each step.
C. Comprehend a Broad Range of materials	with fluency and accuracy.  1.C.2a  Use information to form andrefine questions and predictions.  1.C.2b  Make and support inferences and form interpretations about main themes and topics.	
	1.C.2c Compare and contrast the content and organization of selections.  1.C.2d Summarize and make generalizations from content and relate to purpose of material.  1.C.2e Explain how authors and illustrators use text and art to express their ideas	

(e.g., points of view, design hues, metaphor). 1.C.2f Connect information presented in tables, maps and charts to

printed or electronic text

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A. Apply analysis and	1.A.3a	1.A.2a-b
vocabulary skills to comprehend selections.	Apply knowledge of word origins and derivations to comprehend words used in specific content areas (e.g., scientific, political, literary, mathematical).	Glossary: Each step I-VI reinforces vocabulary words found in glossary (pp. 36-37)
B. Apply reading strategies to improve understanding and fluency.	1.A.3b Analyze the meaning of words and phrases in their context.  1.B.3a Preview reading materials, make predictions and relate reading to information from other sources.	1.B.3a Step III: Gathering Information on a Problem(pp. 17-18)
	1.B.3b Identify text structure and create a visual representation (e.g., graphic organizer, outline, drawing) to use while reading.	1.B.3b <u>Steps I-VI</u> : These techniques are reflected in each step.
	1.B.3c Continuously check and clarify for understanding (e.g., in addition to previous skills, draw comparisons to other readings).	
	1.B.3d Read age-appropriate material with fluency and accuracy.	
C. Comprehend a Broad Range of materials	1.C.3a Use information to form, explain and support questions and predictions. 1.C.3b Interpret and analyze entire narrative text using story elements, point of view and	1.C.3a& c Step III: Gathering Information on the Problem(pp.17-18)  1.C.3b
	theme.	Steps I-V
	1.C.3c Compare, contrast and evaluate ideas and information from various sources and genres.	1.C.3d  Step IV:  Documentation section of portfolios  Portfolio Groups 1-4 Selecting a  Problem, Alternative Policies,
	1.C.3d Summarize and make generalizations from content and	Developing a Class Portfolio (pp. 27-32)
	relate them to the purpose of the material.	1.C.3f Step IV:
	material.	Portfolio Groups 1-4, Graphic
	1.C.3e	Presentations (pp 27-32)
	Compare how authors and	

Compare how authors and

illustrators use text and art across

Learning Standards	Late Elementary	Project Citizen Correlation
A. Understand how literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning.	2.A.2a Identify literary elements and literary techniques (e.g., characterization, use of narration, use of dialogue) in a variety of literary works.	
	2.A.2b  Describe how literary elements (e.g., theme, character, setting, plot, tone, conflict) are used in literature to create meaning.	
	2.A.2c Identify definitive features of literary forms (e.g., realistic fiction, historical fiction, fantasy, narrative, nonfiction, biography, plays, electronic literary forms).	
B. Read and interpret a variety of literary works.	2.B.2a Respond to literary material by making inferences, drawing conclusions and comparing it to their own experience, prior knowledge and other texts.	2.B.2a Step I: "Printed Source Assignment" (p.11)
	2.B.2b Identify and explain themes that have been explored in literature from different societies and eras.	
Return to ILS Menu	2.B.2c Relate literary works and their characters, settings and plots to current and historical events, people and perspectives.	

Middle/Junior High School

Learning Standards	Middle/Junior High School	Project Citizen Correlation
A. Understand how literary elements and techniques are used to convey meaning.	2.A.3a Identify and analyze a variety of literary techniques (e.g., figurative language, allusion, dialogue, description, word choice, dialect) within classical and contemporary works representing a variety of genres.	
	2.A.3b  Describe how the development of theme, character, plot and setting contribute to the overall impact of a piece of literature.	
	2.A.3c Identify characteristics and authors of various literary forms (e.g., short stories, novels, drama, fables, biographies, documentaries, poetry, science fiction).	
	2.A.3d  Identify ways that an author uses language structure, word choice and style to convey the author's viewpoint.	
B. Read and interpret a variety of literary works.	2.B.3a Respond to literary material from personal, creative and critical points of view.	2.B.3a Step I: "Printed Source Assignment" (p.11)
	2.B.3b  Compare and contrast common literary themes across various societies and eras.  2.B.3c Analyze how characters in literature deal with conflict, solve problems and relate to real-life situations.	
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GOAL 3: Write to communicate for a variety of purposes.

Late Elementary

#### Learning Standards Late Elementary Project Citizen Correlation A. Use correct grammar, 3.A.2 3.A.2a Write paragraphs that include a variety Step IV: spelling, punctuation, capitalization and structure. of sentence types; appropriate use of Documentation section of the the eight parts of speech; and accurate Portfolio 1-4 Written summary of alternative policies (p.28), spelling, capitalization and punctuation. Explanation and justification for your suggested policy (p. 29) and a written explanation of how to develop government support (p.32)B. Compose well-organized 3.B.2a 3.B.2a-d and coherent writing for Generate and organize ideas using a Step IV: specific purposes and variety of planning strategies (e.g., Documentation section of the audiences. mapping, outlining, drafting). 3.B.2b Portfolio 1-4 Written summary of Establish central idea, organization, alternative policies (p.28), elaboration and unity in relation to Explanation and justification for purpose and audience. your suggested policy (p. 29) and a written explanation of how to 3.B.2c develop government support Expand ideas by using modifiers, (p.32)subordination and standard paragraph organization. 3.B.2d Edit documents for clarity, subjectivity, pronoun-antecedent agreement, adverb and adjective agreement and verb tense; proofread for spelling, capitalization and punctuation; and ensure that documents are formatted in final form for submission and/or publication. C. Communicate ideas in 3.C.2a 3.C.2a& b writing to accomplish a Write for a variety of purposes and for Step III: variety of purposes. specified audiences in a variety of Writing and Requesting forms including narrative (e.g., fiction, Information (p.19) autobiography), expository (e.g., reports, essays) and persuasive writings (e.g., editorials, advertisements). Produce and format compositions for

specified audiences using available

technology.

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3.A.3 Write compositions that contain complete sentences and effective paragraphs using English conventions.	3.A.3 3.B.2a-d  Step IV:  Documentation section of the  Portfolio 1-4 Written summary of alternative policies (p.28),  Explanation and justification for your suggested policy (p. 29) and a written explanation of how to develop government support (p.32)
3.B.3a  Produce documents that convey a clear understanding and interpretation of ideas and information and display focus, organization, elaboration and coherence.	3.B.3a & b 3.B.2a-d  Step IV:  Documentation section of the  Portfolio 1-4 Written summary of alternative policies (p.28),  Explanation and justification for your suggested policy (p. 29) and a written explanation of how to
3.B.3b  Edit and revise for word choice, organization, consistent point of view and transitions among paragraphs using contemporary technology and formats suitable for submission and/or publication.	develop government support (p.32)
3.C.3a Compose narrative, informative, and persuasive writings (e.g., in addition to previous writings, literature	
correspondence) for a specified audience.  3.C.3b Using available technology, produce compositions and multimedia works for specified audiences.	
	Write compositions that contain complete sentences and effective paragraphs using English conventions.  3.B.3a  Produce documents that convey a clear understanding and interpretation of ideas and information and display focus, organization, elaboration and coherence.  3.B.3b  Edit and revise for word choice, organization, consistent point of view and transitions among paragraphs using contemporary technology and formats suitable for submission and/or publication.  3.C.3a  Compose narrative, informative, and persuasive writings (e.g., in addition to previous writings, literature reviews, instructions, news articles, correspondence) for a specified audience.  3.C.3b  Using available technology, produce compositions and multimedia works

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GOAL 4: Listen and speak effectively in a variety of situations.

Late Elementary

#### Project Citizen Correlation Learning Standards Late Elementary 4.A.2.a, b & c 4.A.2a A. Listen effectively in Demonstrate understanding of the Step: formal and informal "Interview Assignment" (p.11) situations. listening process (e.g., sender, receiver, message) by summarizing and paraphrasing spoken messages Step III: orally and in writing in formal and Gather information from lawyers or informal situations. judges, legislative offices, community members, and administrative offices (pp.17-18) 4.A.2b Ask and respond to questions related to oral presentations and messages in small and large group settings. 4.A.2c Restate and carry out a variety of oral instructions. B. Speak effectively using 4.B.2a 4.B.2a language appropriate to the Present oral reports to an audience Step V: situation and audience. using correct language and nonverbal Presenting portfolio to classmates expressions for the intended purpose and at legislative hearings (pp.33-34) and message within a suggested organizational format. 4.B.2b 4.B.2b Step II: Use speaking skills and procedures to Class Discussion (p. 16) participate in group discussions. 4.B.2c Step III: 4.B.2c Presenting your Portfolio Identify methods to manage or overcome communication anxiety and Preparation, Making appointments apprehension (e.g., topic outlines, and introducing yourself and calling sources on the phone (p.19) repetitive practice). 4.B.2d

Identify main verbal and nonverbal communication elements and

and to resolve conflict.

strategies to maintain communications

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Middle/Junior High School

situations.

#### Learning Standards A. Listen effectively in formal and informal

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#### 4.A.3a

Demonstrate ways (e.g., ask probing questions, provide feedback to a speaker, summarize and paraphrase complex spoken messages) that listening attentively can improve comprehension.

#### 4.A.3b

Compare a speaker's verbal and nonverbal messages.

#### 4.A.3c

Restate and carry out multistep oral instructions.

#### 4.A.3d

Demonstrate the ability to identify and manage barriers to listening (e.g., noise, speaker credibility, environmental distractions).

#### B. Speak effectively using situation and audience.

#### 4.B.3a

language appropriate to the Deliver planned oral presentations, using language and vocabulary appropriate to the purpose, message and audience; provide details and supporting information that clarify main ideas; and use visual aids and contemporary technology as support.

#### 4.B.3b

Design and produce reports and multi-media compositions that represent group projects.4.B.3c Develop strategies to manage or overcome communication anxiety and and introducing yourself and calling apprehension (e.g., sentence outlining, sources on the phone (p.19) note cards).

#### 4.B.3d

Use verbal and nonverbal communication strategies to maintain communications and to resolve conflict.

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#### 4.A.3.a, b & c

#### Step I:

"Interview Assignment" (p.11)

#### Step III:

Gather information from lawyers or judges, legislative offices, community members, and administrative offices (pp.17-18)

#### 4.B.3a

#### Step V:

Presenting the portfolio to classmates and at legislative hearings (pp.33-34)

#### 4.B.2b

#### Step I:

Class Discussion (p. 16)

#### 4.B.2c

#### Step V:

Presenting your Portfolio Preparation, Making appointments

GOAL 5: Use the language arts to acquire, assess and communicate information.

Learning Standards	Late Elementary	Project Citizen Correlation
A. Locate, organize, and use	5.A.2a	5.A.2a & b
information from various	Formulate questions and	Step III:
sources to answer questions,	construct a basic research plan.	Identifying Sources of Information
solve problems and		using research teams (pp.17-18)
communicate ideas.	5.A.2b	
	Organize and integrate	
	information from a variety of	
	sources (e.g., books, interviews,	
	library reference materials, web-	
	sites, CD/ROMs).	
B. Analyze and evaluate	5.B.2a	5.B.2a
information acquired from	Determine the accuracy,	
various sources.	currency and reliability of	Step II:
	materials from various sources	"Evaluating Information from Letter
		and Interviews" (p. 22-23)
	5.B.2	5.B.2b
	Cite sources used.	Step IV:Documentation sections of
		Portfolio (pp.27-30)
C. Apply acquired information	. 5.C.2a	5.C.2a
concepts and ideas to	Create a variety of print and	Step IV:
communicate in a variety of	nonprint documents to	Print - Written summary of
formats.	communicate acquired	alternative policies (p.28),
	information for specific	Explanation and justification for you
	audiences and purposes.	suggested policy (p. 29) and a writte
	,	explanation of how to develop
	5.C.2b	government support (p.32)
	Prepare and deliver oral	ge vermient cuppert (pie 2)
	presentations based on inquiry	Nonprint - Graphic presentation of
	or research.	the problem, policies, proposed
	V. 1000	policy, and action plan (pp.27-32)
		print (ppier ve)
		5.C.2b
		Step V:
		Prepare and deliver Oral Presentation
		for simulated legislative hearing

(pp.33-34)

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Middle/Junior High School

#### Learning Standards

A. Locate, organize, and use information from various sources to answer questions, solve problems and communicate ideas.

5.A.3a Identify appropriate resources to solve problems or answer questions through research.

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#### 5.A.3a

"Identifying Sources of Information" using research teams (pp17-18)

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#### 5.A.3b

Design a project related to contemporary issues (e.g., real-world math, career development, community service) using multiple sources.

#### 5.A.3b

Sharing what you know about problems in your community, schools, among young people, involving basic liberties and concerning the environment. (pp. 9-10)

#### B. Analyze and evaluate information acquired from various sources.

#### 5.B.3a

Choose and analyze information sources for individual, academic and functional purposes.

5.B.3bIdentify, evaluate and cite

#### 5.B.3a

"Evaluating Information from Letters and Interviews" (p. 22-23)

#### C. Apply acquired information, 5.C.3a concepts and ideas to communicate in a variety of formats.

#### primary sources.

Use information to form, explain and support questions and predictions.

#### 5.B.3b

Documentation sections of Portfolio (pp.27-30)

5.C.3e

5.C.3b Prepare and orally present original explanation of how to develop work (e.g., poems, monologues, reports, plays, stories) supported by research.

#### 5.C.3a

#### Print:

Written summary of alternative policies (p.28), Explanation and justification for your suggested policy (p. 29) and a written government support (p.32) Nonprint: Graphic presentation of the problem, policies, proposed policy, and action plan (pp.27-32)

Take notes, conduct interviews, organize and report information in Prepare and deliver Oral oral, visual and electronic formats. Presentation for Simulated

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#### 5.C.3b

Legislative Hearing (pp.33-34)

### WE THE PEOPLE... PROJECT CITIZEN AND THE PROPOSED ILLINOIS LEARNING STANDARDS

#### A Correlation Report

#### We the People... Project Citizen

We the People... Project Citizen is a portfolio-based civic education project for students in grades 6 through 9. It focuses on the role of state and local government in the American federal system. The intent of Project Citizen is to motivate and enable young people to enjoy the rights and accept the responsibilities of citizenship. The program introduces and trains students in the methods and procedures used in our political process. The instructional materials help students to

- learn how to monitor and influence public policy in their communities
- learn policy making processes
- develop concrete skills and the foundation needed to become responsible participating citizens
- develop effective, creative communication skills
- develop more positive self-concepts and confidence in exercising the rights and responsibilities of citizenship

The curriculum involves an entire class of students in a series of structured, cooperative learning activities. Working in cooperative teams, the class learns to interact with their government through a five step process that includes

- identifying a public policy problem in their community
- gathering and evaluating information on the problem
- examining and evaluating solutions
- selecting or developing a proposed public policy
- developing an action plan

The final product is a class portfolio which includes a display section and documentation section showing each groups work.

The project culminates with a simulated legislative hearing in which each of the four portfolio groups prepares and presents a statement on its section of the portfolio before a panel of community representatives who act as legislative committee members. Each group then answers questions posed by the committee members. This format provides students with an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of how public policy is formulated.

#### Proposed Illinois Social Science Learning Standards

Project Citizen addresses directly several of the proposed Illinois social science learning standards. These include (bold type shows direct correlation of Project Citizen to the standard)

State Goal 14: Understand political systems, with an emphasis on the United States.

 Learning Standard A. Understand and explain basic principles of the United States government.

Early High School 14.A.4 Analyze how local, state and national governments serve the proposes for which they were created.

Learning Standard B. Understand the structures and functions of the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.

Late Elementary 14.B.2 Explain what government does at local, state and national levels

- Learning Standard C. Understand election processes and responsibilities of citizens.
  - Early High School 14.C.4 Describe the meaning of participatory citizenship (e.g. volunteerism, voting) at all levels of government and society in the United States.
- Learning Standard D. Understand the roles and influences of individuals and interest groups in the political systems of Illinois, the United States and other nations.

Late Elementary 14.D.2 Explain ways that individuals and groups influence and shape public policy.

Middle/Junior High School 14.D.3 Describe the roles and influences of individuals, groups and media in shaping current Illinois and United States public policy (e.g. general public opinion, special interest groups, formal parties, media).

Early High School 14.D.4 Analyze roles and influences of individuals, groups and media in shaping current debates on state and national policy.