

"As educators we have the responsibility of preparing these children for the challenges of living in a fast-changing society."

-- *History-Social Science Framework for California Public Schools*

The Civic Mission of Schools

To help foster discussion among stakeholders in your district or school, the following questions can be used before taking steps toward adopting a district-wide resolution and/or implementing civic education programs at your site.

1. What activities/programs are we currently involved in that further the civic mission of schools? What additional activities/programs are available?
2. How can we better inform our stakeholders/community members about the importance of civic education projects?
3. How can outside organizations and those within our local community support our effort to increase our students' ability to understand their civic rights and responsibilities?
4. What public policies/board recommendations should be considered to help strengthen the civic mission of our schools?