

Resources

Apps/Games

[NewsFeed Defenders](#)

NewsFeed Defenders is a challenging game designed to sharpen students' news literacy skills. In *Newsfeed Defenders*, students will: join a fictional social media site focused on news and information; learn elements of high-quality journalism and markers of deceptive posts; spot dubious posts that sneak in through hidden ads, viral deception, and false reporting. Fast and easy way for teachers and business leaders to make a trivia game that everyone will love.

[VerifyIt!](#)

VerifyIt! Is a free online civics, voting, and news literacy game designed to help young adults be thoughtful readers, informed voters and enlightened citizens who participate fully in our democratic system. The game is easily played on mobile phones, computers, or tablets.

Instagram

League of Women Voters Oakland [@lwvoak](#)

[Activategenzproject](#) Student-led initiative boosting GenZ engagement in civics and politics.

Books

Democracy: A Case Study by David Moss; *Democracy's 19* case studies take us from James Madison and Alexander Hamilton's debates in the run up to the Constitutional Convention to *Citizens United*. They were honed in Moss's popular and highly influential course at the Harvard Business School and are now being taught in high schools across the country.

Registration Links

- Register to Vote
 - [Acvote.org](#)
 - [Vote.ca.gov](#)
 - [Youthvotermovement.org](#)
- Voter Registration Status
 - [Vote.org](#)
- Register, check status, check voting station locations
 - [Voterstatus.sos.ca.gov](#)
 - [League of Women Voters Oakland](#)

Video Links

[Boys State](#)

A 2020 American documentary film, directed, and produced by Jesse Moss and Amanda McBaine. It follows a thousand teenage boys attending Boys State in Texas, coming to build a representative government from the ground up. (1 hour, 49 minutes)

Apple TV

[History of Voting!](#)

Contemporary, effective, engaging video with Perez Hilton/John Legend about History of Voting in U.S. (3 minutes, 35 seconds) YouTube

[Oakland Youth Vote](#)

The Oakland Youth Vote Coalition aims to secure voting rights for 16 and 17 year old Oakland students so they can hold those who run their school district accountable to their needs.

[Suppressed and Sabotaged: The Fight to Vote](#)

Brave New Films (BNF) documentary on the efforts to sabotage the voting methods of millions has taken root in states across the U.S. (44:10) YouTube

[Suppressed: The Fight To Vote](#)

A short, powerful documentary about the growing threat of voter suppression to the 2018 Georgia Governor's race. Links to the [film trailer](#) and [discussion guide](#). (40 minutes) YouTube

[Suppressed 2020: The Fight To Vote](#)

A short, powerful documentary about the growing threat of voter suppression to our 2020 election.

[ALL IN: The Fight For Democracy](#)

Filmmakers Liz Garbus and Lisa Cortes examine the history of voter suppression and the activists who fight for the rights of U.S. citizens, starring Stacey Abrams. (2:56 minutes) Trailer / YouTube

[Yara Shahidi on Why Voting in Midterm Elections Is So Important](#)

Why is Voting in Midterm Elections so Important? Dynamic video with Yara Shahidi, actress, model and activist.

(3 minutes 11 seconds) YouTube

[YelloPain - My Vote Don't Count](#)

"My Vote Don't Count" by YelloPain breaks down the United States government and encourages people to vote because our votes do count. The rising rapper uses the song to educate and restore hope to those who feel unseen and unheard by the political process. (3 minutes, 48 seconds) YouTube

Websites

[Activategenz](#)

A civic engagement website that provides resources for high school and college students, including scholarships, internships, and volunteer information

[The Civics Center](#)

Civic engagement website that addresses barriers to registration, which are the “#1 obstacle to youth voter turnout”. The Civics center provides a solution: pre-register and register teens in high school.

[League of Women Voters Oakland](#)

- Recently updated dynamic website highlights the exceptional work of Oakland’s gem of an organization of women and men who want to make a difference in the political future of our country: a diverse, non-partisan, political group with a long- standing tradition of educating voters.
- Check out the latest news on Instagram: [@lwvoak](#)

[MLK Voter Handbook and Documentary Video](#)

[Youth Voter Movement \(YVM\)](#)

- Invaluable local/national resource.
- Website provides extensive resources for student voter registration and education initiatives. For educators, students, and parents. YVM is a non-partisan group, dedicated to ensuring youth have a voice in the future of this country by making sure they register to vote and then vote.
- **Online voter registration available on this site.
- Note: Please acknowledge Youth Voter Movement when using their materials for presentations.

[Energizing Young Voters](#): Energizing Young Voters (EYV) is an initiative of the *League of Women Voters*, which envisions a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge, and the confidence to participate. EYV Website offers information, resources and teaching modules focused on informing and encouraging civic action among young people ages 18-29.

[Vote 411](#)

The League of Women Voters Vote411 provides election information and links to register to vote, check your registration, find out what’s on your ballot and find your polling place.

California Voter Websites

[Alameda County Registrar of Voters](#) (ACROV): Register to vote & how to Register to Vote Online.

[California Secretary of State](#)

Comprehensive information about becoming a paid poll worker; section focused on high school poll workers.

[California Online Voter Registration website](#)

[Election and Voter Information, California Secretary of State](#)

Links to register to vote, upcoming election information, voter status, tracking your mail in voter ballot, translated election information, county elections contact offices, voter information guides and other helpful resources.

[Find Ballot Drop Box Locations](#)

[Find Voting Locations](#)

[Power the Polls](#)

First-of-its-kind initiative to recruit poll workers to ensure a safe, fair election for all voters. Power the Polls addresses the need for low risk and diverse poll workers who can staff in-person voting locations during early voting and on Election Day.

[Register to vote](#)

- Check your registration status
- Get your absentee ballot
- Fast, free, easy, secure, nonpartisan

[Rock the Vote](#)

Comprehensive voter information website.

[Voter Guide](#)

[Voter Information Guide](#)

[Voter Status, California Secretary of State](#)

Check if you are already registered to vote.

[Where's My Ballot, California Secretary of State](#)

- All California voters will be sent a vote-by-mail ballot with a prepaid postage return envelope for the upcoming election.
- All voters can now get critical updates on their ballot status through California's official "Where's My Ballot?" tracking tool. Signing up takes less than three minutes!



Teacher & Student Toolkit

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Youth Voter Data

[Circle.tufts](https://circle.tufts.edu)

CIRCLE, the Center for Information & Research on Civic Learning and Engagement, is a non-partisan, independent research organization focused on youth civic engagement in the United States. CIRCLE conducts extensive research on youth participation and leverages that research to improve opportunities for all young people to acquire and use the skills and knowledge they need to meaningfully participate in civic life.