

Democracy Lab: 8th Grade Civics for the 21st Century

Two leading civics organizations, Primary Source and Generation Citizen, combine forces to bring you Democracy Lab! This 3-year innovative and comprehensive approach to civic learning, fully aligned with the 2018 Massachusetts History and Social Science Curriculum Framework, is designed to meet the growing needs of individual teachers. Whether designing an entirely new civics course or updating an existing one, teachers can turn to Democracy Lab for professional development and curricular cornerstones to civic success.

PRIMARY SOURCE CIVICS CURRICULUM		
Original curriculum designed for Massachusetts social studies with content tailored to meet the 8th grade civics content standards		✓
Innovative, interactive, and relevant approaches customized for teaching Massachusetts social studies practice standards		✓
Eleven units with 110+ lessons featuring multicultural and global voices, perspectives, and topics		✓
Student-centered and inquiry-based approaches featuring action-oriented practice of civics skills and dispositions		✓
GENERATION CITIZEN ACTION CIVICS CURRICULUM		
Full 20+ lessons standards-aligned Action Civics curriculum with accompanying facilitation guide and embedded multilingual learner modifications		✓
Printable and customizable student handbooks to support student learning and reflection that contain lesson-specific activities and graphic organizers		✓
Assessment Portfolio that includes formative and summative approaches and activities with accompanying rubrics for educators to select from and customize to their assessment needs		✓
Action Civics Online Platform that includes an issue-specific research article library, curated list of community experts from Massachusetts, and an Action Civics example project bank		✓
Toolkits to support real-world learning including Action Research Toolkit, Tactic Toolkit, and Organizing a Community-Wide Civics Day Toolkit		✓
ONGOING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		
Virtual Bootcamp		✓
On-demand webinars featuring experts in the field, original Primary Source content, and tutorial videos for each unit available on the website		✓
Guidance and training on transistioning the curriculum to an all-online format		✓
All Professional Development offerings address:	Understanding of civics concepts	✓
	Curriculum implementation	✓
	Action Civics	✓
Seasonal face-to-face training options (health and safety conditions permitting)		✓
Bi-weekly office hours*		✓
TEACHER RESOURCES		
Multimedia online resources curated for quality and relevance		✓
PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY		
A digital platform to bring together civic educators		✓

*Throughout the school year

PRICING INFORMATION

3-YEAR STANDARD SUBSCRIPTION

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL (per teacher)
1-3 TEACHERS	\$2200	\$1000	\$1000	\$4200
4-6 TEACHERS	\$2000	\$1000	\$1000	\$4000
7-10 TEACHERS	\$2000	\$900	\$900	\$3800
11+ TEACHERS	\$2000	\$850	\$850	\$3700

PRIMARY SOURCE PARTNERS* & HIGH NEEDS DISTRICTS **

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL (per teacher)
1-3 TEACHERS	\$1800	\$700	\$700	\$3200
4-6 TEACHERS	\$1800	\$600	\$600	\$3000
7-10 TEACHERS	\$1700	\$600	\$600	\$2900
11+ TEACHERS	\$1700	\$550	\$550	\$2800

HIGH NEEDS DISTRICTS WITH GENERATION CITIZEN COACHING

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	TOTAL (per teacher)
1-3 TEACHERS	\$3000	\$1500	\$1250	\$5700
4-6 TEACHERS	\$2750	\$1500	\$1250	\$5500
7-10 TEACHERS	\$2600	\$1450	\$1350	\$5400
11+ TEACHERS	\$2600	\$1400	\$1300	\$5300

*Interested in becoming a PS Partner? Contact info@primarysource.org

**Democracy Lab defines High Needs districts as any district with 50% or more High Needs students per the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education profiles.

Democracy Lab 3-year subscription includes the following:

- Participation in synchronous online professional development "3-day" workshop. Access to a myriad of online professional development videos and resources.
- Bi-weekly office hours
- Online access to the curriculum, multimedia resources and civics educators' community
- Ongoing individualized support from a *Democracy Lab* staff member
- Primary Source curriculum alignment with Massachusetts Standards can be found [here](#)
- Detailed *Democracy Lab* table of contents can be found [here](#) with **sample lessons available**
- Generation Citizen's Action Civics curriculum alignment with Massachusetts Standards can be found [here](#)
- Action Civics curriculum can be found [here](#)

Generation Citizen offers high needs districts an option for an add-on subscription for more personalized Action Civics coaching support.

- Up to 4 one-on-one personalized job-embedded instructional coaching sessions for each teacher
- Up to 2 days of professional development to prepare teachers to lead GC lesson plans and center student equity and student-centered pedagogical practices
- Direct support in organizing a community-wide Civics Day showcase
- Support a sustainable district model for Action Civics

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