

Alignment Document

State of Wisconsin And Aventa Learning Civics

Civics

2005-2007 Benchmark Blueprint

State Standard Number	State Standard Area / Description	Unit Name	Course Topic Description
C.12	Political Science and Citizenship: Power, Authority, Governance, and Responsibility		
C.12.1	Identify the sources, evaluate the justification, and analyze the implications of certain rights and responsibilities of citizens	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Duties and Responsibilities
C.12.2	Describe how different political systems define and protect individual human rights	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Limited and Unlimited Government
C.12.3	Trace how legal interpretations of liberty, equality, justice, and power, as identified in the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and other Constitutional Amendments, have changed and evolved over time	Foundations of American System	The Nature and Purposes of Constitutions
C.12.4	Explain the multiple purposes of democratic government, analyze historical and contemporary examples of the tensions between those purposes, and illustrate how governmental powers can be acquired, used, abused, or legitimized	Foundations of American System	The Nature and Purposes of Constitutions
C.12.5	Analyze different theories of how governmental powers might be used to help promote or hinder liberty, equality, and justice, and develop a reasoned conclusion	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Alternative Ways of Organizing Constitutional Governments
C.12.6	Identify and analyze significant political benefits, problems, and solutions to problems related to federalism and the separation of powers	Foundations of American System	Federal Government Powers

C.12.7	Describe how past and present American political parties and interest groups have gained or lost influence on political decision-making and voting behavior		
C.12.8	Locate, organize, analyze, and use information from various sources to understand an issue of public concern, take a position, and communicate the position	State Government	Citizen Action
C.12.9	Identify and evaluate the means through which advocates influence public policy.	State Government	Citizen Action
C.12.10	Identify ways people may participate effectively in community affairs and the political process	City Government	City Governments Working Together
C.12.11	Evaluate the ways in which public opinion can be used to influence and shape public policy	State Government	Citizen Action
C.12.12	Explain the United States' relationship to other nations and its role in international organizations, such as the United Nations, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, and North American Free Trade Agreement		
C.12.13	Describe and evaluate ideas of how society should be organized and political power should be exercised, including the ideas of monarchism, anarchism, socialism, fascism, and communism; compare these ideas to those of representative democracy; and assess how such ideas have worked in practice	Civic Life, Politics, and Government	Limited Government and Political/Economic Freedom
C.12.14	Explain and analyze how different political and social movements have sought to mobilize public opinion and obtain governmental support in order to achieve their goals	State Government	Citizen Action
C.12.15	Describe and analyze the origins and consequences of slavery, genocide, and other forms of persecution, including the Holocaust		
C.12.16	Describe the evolution of movements to assert rights by people with disabilities, ethnic and racial groups, minorities, and women.		