

Benchmark: C3a

Report on Civic Life in America

Finding 1: Young People are Less Involved in Civic Life than Ever Before

Brief Constructed Response Prompt:

Why might citizens be expected to participate in civic processes? Suggest one way that a citizen might participate.

Possible Response(s): Students may offer a variety of plausible responses.

Citizens are expected to participate in civic processes because they serve as an important check on those who might threaten our freedom and individual liberties. Individual citizens can get involved in the political process in a variety of ways. Some examples of citizen involvement include voting in national and local elections, assisting candidates running for office or running for office oneself, becoming a registered lobbyist or lobbying officials on a particular issue, and staying abreast of current political issue and events to name a few.

Rubric

- 2** = This response gives a valid explanation with an accurate and relevant example.
1 = This response gives a valid explanation with an inaccurate, irrelevant, or no example.
0 = inaccurate or no response