Grade 12 Social Studies: Participation in Government

NYS Learning/Core Standards	Content (What needs to be taught?)	Curriculum Materials Used	(All) Assessments Used (Daily/Weekly/Benchmarks)/ Skills Developed	Time Line
State Standard 5.1 National Standards I and II	Unit A Philosophical Foundations and Comparative Perspectives Question 1: What are the purposes and principles of government, politics, and the law?	 PowerPoint presentations from the textbook publisher newspaper and magazine articles internet resources 	Reading Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies: R1: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a whole. R2: Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an	
State Standard 5.3 National Standard V	Unit B Citizenship in Comparative Perspective Question 2: What are the roles and rights of citizenship? Question 3: How does someone become a citizen of the United States?	 such as Pro/Con videos guest speakers 	accurate summary of how key events or ideas develop over the course of the text. R3: Analyze in detail a series of events described in a text: determine whether earlier events caused later events or simply preceded them. R4: Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including vocabulary describing political, social, or economic aspects of	
State Standards 5.2 and 5.3 National Standards III and V	Unit C Citizenship, Participation, and the Electoral Process Question 4: Does your vote count? Question 5: How does the political party system enable choice and opportunity for participation? Question 6: How do you prepare		history/social studies. R5: Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole. R6: Compare the point of view of two or more authors for how they treat the same or similar topics, including the details they include and emphasize in their accounts.	
	yourself to vote? Question 7: Why would someone seek public office? Question 8: How do campaigns and elections enable choice and opportunities for participation? Question 9: How do you become a more effective media consumer?		R7: Integrate quantitative or technical analysis (e.eg. charts, research data) with qualitative analysis in print or digital text. R8: Evaluate an author's premises, claims, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other information. R9: Compare and contrast treatment of the same topic in several primary and secondary sources.	
State Standard 5.3 National Standard V	Unit D Legal Obligations Question 10: Why are males ages 18		Writing Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies: W1: Write arguments focused on <i>discipline</i> -	

	to 26 expected to register with	specific content.	
	Selective Service?	a. Introduce premise, knowledgeable claims(s),	1
	Question 11: What are the civic	establish the significance of the claim(s) from	1
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	implications of taxation?	alternate or opposing claims, and create an	
	Question 12: How should you respond	organization that logically sequences the	
	to a call for jury duty?	claim(s), counterclaim(s), reasons, and	
	Question 13: What is the importance	evidence.	
	of the jury in a democratic system?	b. Develop claim(s) and counterclaim(s) fairly	
State Standards 5.2,		and thoroughly, supplying the most relevant	
5.3, and 5.4	Unit E	data and evidence for each while pointing out	
National Standards	Public Policy and Political	the strengths and limitations of both claim(s)	
II, III, and V	Participation	and counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate	
11, 111, and v			
	Question 14: How do you find and	form that anticipates the audience's	
	evaluate information on public issues	knowledge level, concerns, values, and	
	of interest?	possible biases.	
	Question 15: Which government(s)	c. Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as	
	should respond to a particular public	varied syntax to link the major sections of the	
	policy issue?	text, create cohesion, and clarify the	
	Question 16: How does the public	relationships between claim(s) and reasons,	
	policy process work?	between reasons and evidence, and between	
	Question 17: How does the public	claim(s) and counterclaim(s).	
	policy process reflect the purposes,	d. Establish and maintain a formal style and	
	values, and principles of	objective tone while attending to the norms	
	American democracy?	and conventions of the discipline in which	
State Standards 5.2	Question 18: How do citizens become	they are writing.	
and 5.3	more involved in working on a public	e. Provide a concluding statement or section	
National Standards	issue or for a political organization?	that follows from or supports the argument	
III and V	1 5	presented.	
	Unit F	W2: Write informative /explanatory texts,	
	Legal Rights and Responsibilities	including the narration of historical events,	
	Question 19: What are the legal	scientific procedures/experiments, or technical	
	rights and responsibilities of the	processes.	
	individual in civic life, the workplace,	a. Introduce a topic and organize complex ideas,	
State Standard 5.3	and school?	concepts, and information so that each new	
National Standard V	Question 20: How do your legal rights	element builds on that which precedes it to	
	and responsibilities change as you	create a unified whole; include formatting	
	move about in the international	(e.g., headings), graphics, (e.g., figures,	
	arena?	tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding	1
		comprehension.	1
	Unit G	b. Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the	1
	Selecting a Culminating Question	most significant and relevant facts, extended	1
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	(optional)	definitions, concrete details, quotations, or	1
	Question 21: What type of public	other information and examples appropriate	1
	issue can be selected for a	to the audience's knowledge of the topic.	1

culminating project?	c. Use varied transitions and sentence
	structures to link the major sections of the
	text, create cohesion, and clarify the
	relationships among complex ideas and
	concepts.
	d. Use precise domain-specific vocabulary and
	techniques such as metaphor, simile, and
	analogy to manage the complexity of the
	topic; convey a knowledgeable stance in a
	style that responds to the discipline and
	context as well as to the expertise of likely
	readers.
	e. Provide a concluding statement or section
	that follows from and supports the
	information or explanation provided (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of
	the topic).
	W4: Produce clear and coherent writing in which
	the development, organization, and style are
	appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
	W5: Develop and strengthen writing as needed
	by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying
	a new approach, focusing on addressing what is
	most significant for a specific purpose and
	audience.
	W6: use technology, including the Internet, to
	produce, publish, and update individual or shared
	writing products in response to ongoing feedback,
	including new arguments or information. W7: Conduct short as well as more sustained
	research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem:
	narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate;
	synthesize multiple sources on the subject,
	demonstrating understanding of the subject
	matter under investigation.
	W8: Draw evidence from informational texts to
	support analysis, reflection, and research.
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	support analysis, reflection, and research.
	W10: Write routinely over extended time frames
	(time for reflection and revision0 and shorter

	time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.	
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