VERMONT CIVIC HEALTH INDEX IN THE CLASSROOM

In January 2025, our office released Vermont's first Civic Health Index. This report looks at our state's civic health across six domains and includes findings from the 2024 Youth Civic Health Survey.



We would love for you to share some of these results with your students and use the report as a tool to help them think about civic health in their own life and school community.

Social and Community Context

Cultural Access and Engagement Scan here for the full report and recorded community conversations from across the state.



Getting Started:

Ask students to think about the term civic health and what they think it means. Invite them to imagine, draw, or free write about their vision for a community with strong civic health. Ask students to complete the following sentence: When it comes to (insert domain name) in my community, wouldn't it be great if...."

Possible Activities:

- 1. Break students into six groups and have each group read about one domain and present what they learned.
- 2. Have students watch one of our recorded events featuring a brief presentation by Secretary of State, and a panel of other partners who care about civic health.
- 3. Utilize one of our worksheets to do an personal audit or school audit that examines the concept of civic health closer to home.
- 4. Invite Secretary Copeland Hanzas to your classroom or write a letter to our office to share your feedback.













VERMONT CIVIC HEALTH INDEX IN THE CLASSROOM

Below is a summary of key findings from the Youth Civic Health Survey. Also see page 31 of the full report for more youth responses.

