

PA Act 35 Civic Engagement

In 2018, Governor Tom Wolf signed into law Act 35 of 2018 (Appendix A) which requires that all school entities administer a locally developed assessment of U.S. history, government, and civics at least once to students during grades 7-12, beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. This civic knowledge toolkit is designed to assist school entities in the development of an assessment that both satisfies the required elements of Act 35 and aligns with State Academic Standards for Civics and Government, Economics, Geography, and History. The resources were compiled by PDE in consultation with the Civics Advisory Council composed of national, state, and local experts in civic education. The toolkit of resources is available online in the Standards Aligned System (www.pdesas.org) and the PDE website (www.education.pa.gov).

[PDE Act 35 Civics Toolkit](#)

- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Assessment of Civics Knowledge Introduction](#)
- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Pillar 1 - Civic Knowledge](#)
- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Pillar 2 - Civics Skills](#)
- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Pillar 3 - Actions](#)
- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Sample Civics Knowledge Assessment](#)
- ❑ [Act 35 Civics Appendix A – Act 35 of 2018](#)

The Union City Area School District will assess students during their 8th grade year. This district created assessment will follow the outline [here](#).