



The Citizenship Counts Program for Secondary Schools

The Interactive Cooperative Learning-Based Lessons:

- The Naturalization Process
- Push-Pull Factors
- History of Immigration Law in the United States
- The 100 Question Immigration Test—Extended

Note: We also have 3 elementary school lessons and have held ceremonies on K-5 campuses.

Additional Resources

- Guide for Planning a Naturalization Ceremony (at your school or community venue)
- Supplemental Lessons and Activities
- Maps and Graphs
- Stats and Facts about Immigration

A Whole School Experience

There are multiple ways for students to be involved. Schools have performed the National Anthem, posted the colors, created artwork to be displayed at the ceremony or in a commemorative program, and interviewed new citizens about their experiences and journeys to become U.S. citizens.

Citizenship Counts ceremonies have featured local leaders or school superintendents as speakers and often receive press and TV coverage—good news for schools instead of critical stories.

The **Citizenship Counts** lessons were developed to have maximum utility in Social Studies classrooms; however, they are cross-curricular in nature and can also be utilized in Language Arts classes. The lessons are correlated to the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts & Literacy in History/Social Studies, and the lesson objectives are aligned to the National Curriculum Standards for Social Studies, developed by the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) and the National Standards for Civics and Government, developed by the Center for Civic Education (CCE).

There is absolutely no cost associated with the **Citizenship Counts** program; the lessons can be downloaded for FREE on our website (citizenshipcounts.org) by clicking the “Education” tab, and then clicking on “Educators” then “Our Core Curriculum.” All that is required is a simple registration so that we can provide you with a username and password for continued access to the page and new resources (lessons plans, activities, and links) as they become available.