While we’re teaching the knowledge of the struggle for voting rights, can we also teach the necessary civic skills to help students make their knowledge matter?

C3 Framework and Voting Rights

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Workshop Agenda

1. Voting Rights and Our Roles as Educators
   1. The C3 Inquiry Arc
   1. Time to Work
   1. Share out and Troubleshoot

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  – Why does civic education need to be the core of social studies education?
  – In what ways can the C3 Framework deepen teaching and learning of Social Studies?
  – What role does the AFT play in advocating and protecting the voting rights of Americans?
What is the C3 Framework?

• Centered on an Inquiry Arc of learning
• Standards impart discipline-specific skills
• Promotes active and responsible citizenship

Inquiry Arc

• **Dimension 1**: Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries
• **Dimension 2**: Applying Disciplinary Tools and Concepts (Civics, Economics, Geography, and History)
• **Dimension 3**: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence
• **Dimension 4**: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

Developing Questions

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Compelling Questions: Examples

Global History: Nationalism
• Why are there 196 countries in the world?

U.S. History: Civil Rights
• Who is responsible for the successes of the Civil Rights Movement?

Dimension 4: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

• Practice active and responsible citizenship
• Engage in the world outside of the classroom
• Emphasizes the importance of collaborative action

Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

Global History: Nationalism
• Generate “likes” on Facebook or Twitter related to post about the vote for Scottish Independence.
  Or
• Discuss the issue of Scottish Independence with one friend and one family member

U.S. History: Civil Rights
• Research a local or national Civil Rights Memorial and assess the extent to which these memorials capture the most crucial ideas and individuals of the Civil Rights Movement.
• Students then advocate for a change or addition to the memorial.
• "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute new government..."
26th Amendment and Beyond...

Pathway to Citizenship

Compulsory Voting?
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Countries with Compulsory Voting Laws:

Voter ID and Voting Suppression

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THINGS THAT REQUIRE VALID ID

- Donating Blood
- Buying a Phone
- Social Security Services
- Power Bills
- Writing a Check
- Using a Credit Card
- Buying a Car
- Buying Train Tickets
- Buying Annual Public Transportation Passes
- Volunteering at a Non-Profit Organization
- Getting a Bank/Loan
- Applying for a Professional License
- Buying a House
- Apartment Rental Application

ASKING FOR ID TO VOTE IS NOT RACIST!
Gerrymandering

Gerrymandering, explained
Three different ways to divide 50 people into five districts

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Work Time

- Team up with a neighbor and outline a unit on voting rights that you could use in your classes.
- Use the C3 planning templates in the packet to guide your work
Share Out

• What compelling question did you generate?

• In what ways will students take informed action or communicate results?

• What are some potentially beneficial sources that will inform your investigation?

Troubleshoot

• What are some potential obstacles (both internal and external) that may make implementing the C3 framework difficult?

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