

EL CIVICS CHECKLIST

Student: _____ Tutor: _____

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Recommended for All Students

- Received the *BRLC Student Resource Guide*. Date: _____
 - Learned how to use the *BRLC Student Resource Guide* (Lesson Plan)
 - Studied the vocabulary in the *BRLS Student Resource Guide* (Handout: Vocabulary List)
- Completed Module on **Volunteering** - Giving Back to the Community (Lesson Plan & Handouts)
- Completed Module on **Using Public Library** (Lesson Plan & Handouts)
- Used a Community Resource - Specify: _____
- Volunteered - Specify: _____
- Other. Attended other training/workshops or performed other activities related to community participation; specify: _____

CHILDREN'S LITERACY & EDUCATION

Recommended for All Parents

- Completed Module on Children's Literacy (Lesson Plan & Handouts)
 - Websites:**
 - <http://readaloud.org/mission.html>
 - <https://www.ksl.com/?sid=15431484>
- Completed Module on Children's Education (Lesson Plan & Handouts)
- PowerSchool* (an online tool that provides parents of children in the public school system immediate access to their child's attendance, grades, homework and more from their computer or cell phone.
 - Attended *PowerSchool* Training offered by BRLC
 - Accessed *PowerSchool* via website (hcps.powerschool.com) or other online tool

OPTIONAL TOPICS

All students are encouraged to select one or more topics of interest to incorporate into their classes. Tutors should contact Cindy to obtain applicable books or handouts.

AMERICAN CULTURE

Books: (Given out on a first come basis; additional copies can be ordered.)

- American Manners & Customs* (Beginner & up)
A fun book that covers manners and customs from meeting people and "small talk" to sexual harassment. Includes vocabulary building and comprehension exercises. No Teacher's Manual. Handout on being polite and on time added.

Across the U.S. (Intermediate-Advanced)

Take your ESL students on a fascinating journey across the U.S. with these state-by-state reading and language activities. Readings cover a broad range of topics: history, geography and nature, economics, U.S. culture, and famous Americans. Includes vocabulary and comprehension exercise. Teacher's Manual.

U.S.A. Cultural Short Stories (Beginner to Advanced)

A 4-book series that contains short stories on all areas of U.S. culture ranging from who invented the potato chip to famous people and geography. Includes vocabulary and comprehension exercises. Fun reading. No Teacher's Manual.

Living in the United States (High Intermediate-Advanced)

A concise cultural-orientation handbook that covers everything from eating habits to drinking and smoking laws. No Teacher's Manual.

Websites:

<http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/History-Culture.shtml>

A huge amount of information on U.S. culture and history.

<http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/>

A great site with lessons for dozens of holidays for each month of the year. Within each of the lesson plans you have different curriculum options depending on the individual needs of your student. Have fun with them by adding your own personal touch.

GOVERNMENT

Handouts:

The Three Branches of the Federal Government (Beginner, 1page)

Three Levels of Government (Intermediate) (4-page overview.)

Know Your Local and County Government booklet (Advanced) (A complete guide to county and municipal government in Henderson County, League of Women Voters.)

How the United States is Governed (Advanced) (A 40-page comprehensive overview put out by the U.S. Department of State. Ask for hard copy or obtain via computer at:

http://photos.state.gov/libraries/korea/49271/dwoa_122709/US_Governed.pdf

Websites:

Ben's Guide to U.S. Government

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/>

The White House – Our Government

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/our-government>

Learn NC

<http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/2868?ref=search>

GENERAL CIVICS

Multiple Topics

Websites:

EL Civics for ESL Students

<http://www.elcivics.com/civics>

U.S. Citizenship & Immigration

<http://www.uscis.gov>

iCivics, Inc.

<https://www.icivics.org/>

Rights & Responsibilities of Citizens/Legal Residents

Handouts:

- Definitions of Rights, Duties, Responsibilities
- Rights and Responsibilities Lessons
- Rights, Duties, and Responsibilities of People Living in the United States Table
- Rights, Duties And Responsibilities Checklist
- Website: <http://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/learners/citizenship-rights-and-responsibilities>

Voting

- Studied Voting
- Attended BRLC workshop on Voting/Registering to Vote
- Registered to Vote
- Voted
- Website: <http://www.elcivics.com/civics-test-voting-rights.html>

Immigration

- Handout: Welcome to the United States*
A concise guide for new immigrants that contains information on topics including rights, finding housing, holidays, and finding help.
- Website: <http://www.uscis.gov>

U.S. HISTORY

Books

- U.S.A History in Brief*

A complete but concise history that includes photos, vocabulary building and comprehension quizzes. Suitable for Intermediate-Advanced ESL students. Obtain a hard copy in the office or access it by website: http://photos.state.gov/libraries/amgov/30145/publications-english/learner_english.pdf

Handouts:

An excellent resource from US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS.gov). The site provides lessons on a wide range of topics on Government, Culture & Geography, as listed below. Each topic includes Lesson Plans, Handouts and Answer Keys. You can obtain a hard copy from the office or visit their website: <http://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/teachers/lesson-plans-and-activities>

Literacy- Beginner Lessons

- George Washington
- Thomas Jefferson and the Declaration of Independence
- Benjamin Franklin and the U.S. Constitution

- Bill of Rights and Other Amendments
- Abraham Lincoln
- Civil War
- U.S. Wars in the 1800s
- U.S. History Since 1900
- Your Government and You
- Executive Branch
- Legislative Branch

- Judicial Branch
- American Symbols and Celebrations

Literacy- Beginner Level

- U.S. Geography
- Thanksgiving 1 Pilgrims and American Indians
- Thanksgiving 2 The Pilgrim Story and My Immigrant Story
- Thanksgiving 3 Traditions

Intermediate Level

- Early America
- Establishing Independence
- U.S. Geography
- American Symbols and Celebrations
- Executive Branch

- Legislative Branch
- Judicial Branch

Other (Indicate other Civics topic or activities your student has studied/completed:

Lined area for writing other civics topics or activities.

Date Submitted: _____