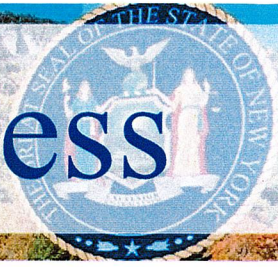


# Seal of Civic Readiness



The Seal of Civic Readiness is a formal recognition that a student has attained a high level of proficiency in terms of civic knowledge, civic skills, civic mindset, and civic experiences.

## The Seal of Civic Readiness distinction on a high school transcript and diploma:

- ❖ Shows the student's understanding of a commitment to participatory government; civic responsibility and civic values;
- ❖ Remonstrates to universities, colleges, and future employers that the student has completed an action project in civics or social justice
- ❖ Recognizes the value of civic engagement and scholarship.

## Benefits of offering the seal

- ◆ Students participate in authentic actions and experiences.
- ◆ Builds student's sense of agency by developing civic capabilities to become positive agents of change.
- ◆ Recognizes the value of allowing students to have a choice, voice, and ownership in their learning.
- ◆ Empowers students to advocate for change in their communities.
- ◆ Strongly rooted in diversity, equity, and inclusivity.
- ◆ Makes our students more competitive for college & career job market.
- ◆ Seal of Civic Readiness is a + 1 Pathway



## Criteria for the Seal of Civic Readiness

The Seal is earned through a flexible points-based system.

Students can...

- ◆ earn points in all 4 domains
- ◆ at least 2 points in Civic Knowledge
- ◆ at least 2 points in Civic Participation
- ◆ A total of 6 points to earn the Seal of Civic Readiness
- ◆ The Seal of Civic Readiness is a +1 Pathway that can count as a 5<sup>th</sup> Regents Exam.



*Interested in earning the Seal of Civic Readiness?  
Let your Social Studies teacher and Guidance Counselor know!*