

**PATTONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**EPS Code: IGAA**

**District Code: New**

### **CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION**

The Board of Education believes that the District's educational programs should provide each student with an opportunity to develop knowledge and skills necessary to participate in civic affairs, and to understand how society functions in theory and practice. Therefore, the District's program of studies, beginning no later than the seventh grade, will include instruction in American history, American institutions, and the provisions and principles of the state and federal constitutions. In accordance with state law, no student shall receive a certificate of graduation without satisfactorily completing those studies. The superintendent will establish procedures to fulfill this statutory requirement.

The district shall offer in grade nine, ten, eleven, or twelve a course of instruction in the institutions, branches, and functions of the government of the State of Missouri, including local governments; the United States government; and the electoral process. Prior to the completion of the twelfth grade, each student receiving a high school diploma or certificate of graduation shall satisfactorily complete such a course of study, of at least one semester in length. Each student must pass the Missouri and United States Constitution test.

The district may annually nominate to the state board of education a student who has demonstrated knowledge of the principles of government and citizenship through academic achievement, participation in extracurricular activities, and service to the community.

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Cross Refs.: IKF, Graduation Requirements

Legal Refs.: §170.011, RSMo. 1999