



Arizona Civics Coalition Partner Form

The Arizona Civics Coalition is a partnership of organizations and individuals who are committed to effective civic education for young people in Arizona. There are no membership dues, but we do seek your involvement in Coalition activities. To join, please complete and return this form. Questions? Please call (602) 340-7268.

Please indicate whether you are submitting this form on behalf of an organization or as an individual.

Please add my organization as a partner in the Arizona Civics Coalition. I understand that my organization will be listed **as a partner** in written materials and on the Coalition web site. (Please complete organizational information on the reverse of this form.)

Name of Organization: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Web site address: _____

Authorized signature for your organization: _____

Please enroll me as an individual partner in the Arizona Civics Coalition. I do not represent an organization.

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____

Title/Occupation: _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____

Daytime telephone: _____ Fax: _____

PARTICIPATION COMMITMENT

We encourage all partners to be actively involved in the Coalition's work. Please mark ALL options that interest you or your organization. Descriptions are on the reverse.

I (my organization) would like to participate as a member of the following work group:

Policy & Advocacy Outreach and Coalition Building

Research/Civic Index Media & Publicity

Please list me (my organization) as a community resource for youth groups and classroom teachers in _____ City(s).

I (my organization) would like to make a contribution, help raise funds, or sponsor an event.

Please contact me about these opportunities.

I (my organization) would like to volunteer time or resources to help coordinate a civic education event in my community.

I don't care to be actively involved at this time. Please add my name to your mailing list and inform me of meetings and activities.

Other ways I want to be involved: _____

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c/o Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education
4201 N. 24th Street ♦ Phoenix, AZ 85016
Fax: (602) 271-4930

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ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The Coalition web site publishes profiles of organizational partners who wish to be listed as a resource for other civic education advocates. If your organization would like to be listed, please complete the information below. Feel free to attach brochures, reports, or other items.

Type of Organization:

- For-profit Government Research Elementary/Secondary School
 Charitable University Service Membership Association
 Other: _____

When was your organization founded? _____

What is your organization's mission? _____

Who does your organization serve (students, voters, general public, etc.?) _____

Explain how your organization is involved in civic education through:

(a) Publications: _____

(b) Events/Activities: _____

(c) Other: : _____

The Coalition organizes and oversees its work through 4 workgroups, each dedicated to one of the 4 basic goals outlined in our strategic plan. Work groups meet approximately four times a year, depending on the status of their work.

- **Research.** The coalition is partnering with Arizona State University to gather data through surveys and analyze public perceptions regarding civic education. This information will be presented in a formal Arizona Civic Index report that will be distributed to all Arizona school board members, school principals, district administrators and state decision makers in early 2006.
- **Public Outreach/Coalition Building.** Coalition building will include regular coalition meetings, strategic planning and building strategic partnerships to carry the work of the Coalition forward. Once the civic index has been completed in early 2006, the Coalition will plan a series of town hall meetings across the state to examine the Arizona Civic Index findings, generate local dialogues and craft practical solutions which will strengthen civic learning in Arizona. Suggestions from town hall findings will be documented and shared with state policy makers, local school district administrators, and school principals.
- **Media and Communications.** The coalition will develop a media plan which will include press events, a release of the findings of the Arizona Civic Index, and launching of an overall public policy strategy once the initial data-gathering and community forums have been completed. The coalition will also develop a list of individuals (including students) to serve on a speaker's bureau, write letters to newspaper editors and strategically-placed opinion editorials and mobilize local constituencies.
- **Policy and Advocacy.** The Coalition will examine approaches other states have used to strengthen civics in their education system. Using data including the Arizona Civic Index and results of local forums, the Policy Advocacy workgroup will take the lead in forming policy agenda to strengthen civics in Arizona. Policy advocacy will be directed to the state and local school district levels.