



**Evaluating
Civics Instructional Materials and
Civics End-of-Course Assessment Test Item Specifications**

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Purpose

- The Florida Department of Education, in partnership with EdCredible[®], is providing this webinar so that prospective reviewers have more information regarding specific instructions for evaluating the state-adopted Civics Course Instructional Materials and the *Civics End-of-Course Assessment Test Item Specifications*.
- This webinar is a supplement to [video tutorials](#) already publicly available to assist reviewers with the process.

Notes & Reminders

- Governor DeSantis issued [Executive Order 19-32](#), “Raising the Bar for Civic Literacy”
 - Commitment to identifying opportunities to equip high school graduates with sufficient knowledge of American civics, particularly the principles reflected in the United States Constitution, so Florida graduates are capable of discharging their responsibilities associated with American citizenship.
- The department began soliciting input on the civics instructional materials and test specifications on August 15, 2019, as part of its response to the Executive Order, as well as [CS/HB 807](#).
- Input will be collected through October 15, 2019.

Notes & Reminders

- For those viewing the webinar live today, questions can be asked at any time during the presentation by using the webinar chat feature.
- Answers to all questions will be posted on the [Civics review webpage](#) along with today's presentation, and the recording and transcript of this webinar.
- The August 22nd, 2019 webinar with detailed information on civics education course instructional materials and test item specifications is posted at the webpage linked above.
- Questions may also be submitted via email at CivicsReview@fldoe.org.



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Review Process

Reminder: Civics Review Timeline

- Review of state-adopted instructional materials open August 15 and are due by October 15.
- Commissioner to give recommendations for improvements by December 31, 2019.
- Review of Civics education standards to begin in 2020, and recommendations due December 31, 2020.
- State Board adoption of potential new standards in early 2021.
- Call for Social Studies instructional materials, including Civics, begins November 2021.

Questions?

Please use the webinar chat feature available during the live webinar, or email questions regarding the Instructional Materials review or the Specifications review to

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