

Advocacy

Webster's Dictionary defines advocacy as "the act or process of supporting a cause or proposal." Advocates generally start the process by identifying issues that are important to them, learning as much as possible about those issues, and then working to persuade decision-makers on how to act in order to support that issue. The lessons below will help you educate students on the advocacy process and provide opportunities to practice the skills needed to be an effective advocate.

Helpful Lessons

[The Role of Citizens in Making our Voices Heard](https://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/lessons-plans/lesson-plan-civic-engagement-and-ways-for-students-to-get-involved/)

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[The Fourth Branch: You!](https://www.slps.org/cms/lib/MO01001157/Centricity/Domain/8698/Fourth%20Branch%20You.pdf)

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