

Delivering Democracy Education Services



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Australian Electoral Commission

Teach and Learn... your vote is a valuable thing



The Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) is committed to ensuring that the Australian community is well informed about electoral matters.

An important aspect of this work focuses on schools. The AEC understands that, to become engaged citizens, young people need to know their rights and responsibilities and to understand electoral processes.

All AEC education initiatives complement the national Statements of Learning for Civics and Citizenship. Programs and resources are developed or delivered by educators or election experts and are free of charge.





Publications and Products

The AEC produces a range of publications and online products about enrolment, voting and the electoral process. These include:

- Federal election results wall map
- Electoral Pocketbook
- National electoral division profiles (online)
- Behind the Scenes: the 2007 election report (online).

These products are free of charge and can be ordered online using **education@aec.gov.au**.

Electoral Education Centres (EECs)

Centres in Canberra and Perth present interactive education programs on the federal electoral system and referendums. Programs are tailored to suit primary and secondary students and culminate in an election scenario where everyone gets to vote.

Each EEC is equipped with a range of multimedia interactive exhibits that provide a stimulating learning environment for all visitors.

There is no charge for visits to an EEC but bookings are essential.

Contact: Canberra 1800 020 067
Perth 08 9222 6955

School Visits Program

Staff from AEC offices across Australia visit schools to present information sessions on voting and enrolment.

Phone to arrange a session or for more information about the school visits program.

Contact: 13 23 26

Teacher Professional Development

Your Vote Counts is a professional development program that provides useful classroom strategies and ideas for teaching electoral education as part of Civics and Citizenship programs.

A two-hour session is also available for trainee teachers.

There is no charge for this professional development program or the classroom resources.

Contact: 02 6271 4586



Education Resources

The AEC has a wide range of education resources. These include a resource for teachers—*Democracy Rules*, classroom publications for students, videos and DVDs. For a complete list and details visit the AEC website.

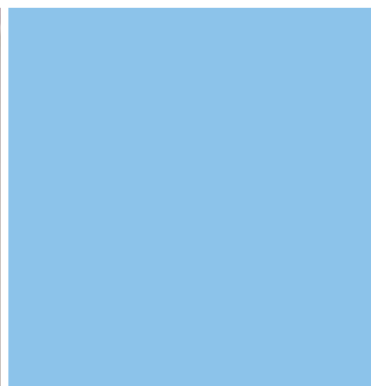
All resources provided by the AEC are free of charge. They can be ordered online at education@aec.gov.au and posted Australia wide.

Find out more...

Use our dedicated address education@aec.gov.au to order resources or discuss issues with our educators.

Subscribe to our **Teachers and Educators** mailing list to be kept up-to-date on the AEC's education initiatives. (Subscribe on the home page of our website.)

Visit www.aec.gov.au to find out more about voting, enrolment and electoral processes.



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