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Pennsylvania Courts Educating Students on Civics with Digital Education Toolkit

HARRISBURG — Recognizing the importance of civics education, the Pennsylvania Courts recently launched an educational [digital toolkit](#) aimed at helping students learn about the work and role of the state’s judiciary.

The infographic below highlights some of the key elements offered in the toolkit – including several digital handouts and animated videos on a variety of court-related topics, 3D courtrooms tours with interactive educational touchpoints, and activities for younger students such as the Flat Judge project.

A high-resolution file of the infographic is available for download at www.pacourts.us under [Media Resources](#), or **view the toolkit in its entirety at pacourts.us/civics-ed.**

Pa. Courts Launch
Civics Education Toolkit



As one of the three branches of government, the judiciary reflects the core values of American democracy while acting as one of its essential pillars. Created by the Pa. Supreme Court, the [Commission on Judicial Independence](#) is charged with fostering a greater public understanding about the role of the courts and explaining the essential need of an independent judiciary.

As part of their efforts, a comprehensive civics education toolkit was developed as a resource for teachers, students and the public to learn more about the work, role and structure of the state’s courts.

Key Components

Learn about a wide range of court-related topics:



Educational Videos

The webpage contains several animated videos designed for all grade levels explaining how our state government works, how judges are selected and held accountable, how the jury system works and why judicial independence is so important.



To view the toolkit in its entirety, visit www.pacourts.us/civics-ed.
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