

# Get students involved with democracy!

Our Parliamentary Education Office offers suggestions and a wide variety of resources for students to learn about and become actively engaged with democracy and parliament.

## For a General Introduction:

- Learn about the legislative process on Discover Your Legislature at [bcleg.ca/DYL](http://bcleg.ca/DYL)
- Invite your local Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) to your class or school. You can look up your school's MLA on the Member Finder at [bcleg.ca/findmembers](http://bcleg.ca/findmembers)
- Book an appointment to visit local your MLA's constituency office (or City Hall or MP's office)



## How To Engage With Specific Issues:

- Submit a Petition to the Legislative Assembly by following directions at [bcleg.ca/petition](http://bcleg.ca/petition)
- Write a letter expressing your concern about an issue you care about to the Minister responsible or your local MLA



- Present in-person or make a written submission to a parliamentary committee that is relevant to your issue. Learn more at [bcleg.ca/committees](http://bcleg.ca/committees)
- Join a rally on an issue you care about
- Meet with your MLA or an MLA who's passionate about your issue to learn what they are doing to support the concern

Questions or suggestions?

Email [peo@leg.bc.ca](mailto:peo@leg.bc.ca)

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## How To Get Involved in Politics:

- Register to vote with the list of Future Voters at Elections BC. Learn more at [elections.bc.ca](http://elections.bc.ca)
- If 18 years old, vote in all elections (federal, provincial, local)
- Volunteer at your local MLA's or MP's constituency office
- Volunteer for a candidate during an electoral campaign period
- Work for Elections BC during a provincial general election with the Youth at the Booth program. Learn more at [elections.bc.ca](http://elections.bc.ca)
- At the post-secondary level, you can join a political club or political party on campus
- Join your school's Student Council to plan and advocate for students
- Join a Model Parliament or Model United Nations

## How To Get Involved in Your Community:

- You can volunteer at school, in community centres, seniors' centres, cultural organizations, neighbourhood houses, festival societies, etc.
- Learn about the issues in your community and work towards improving them
- Invite a community group to come speak at your school or form your own school club



Use the QR code to link to a variety of learning resources to learn more about democracy, parliament and how to be engaged with the process.