

# Centre for Citizenship Education

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# About CCE

- is a non-governmental organization;
- established in 1994;
- promotes civic knowledge and skills;
- regarded as necessary in democratic states.



## We think that:

Democracy in Poland, as elsewhere, will not succeed unless having responsible and active citizens.

We believe that an active citizen participation forms the basis of democratic state and that schools play an important role in effective education of young citizens.

## Therefore schools should:

Provide knowledge about social, political and economic life;

Develop creativity and critical thinking skills;

Help students develop higher self-esteem;

Encourage students to undertake teamwork and other important social activities;

Teach responsibility and regard for a common good.

# What we do?

Provide training, workshops and e-learning courses for teachers and headmasters

Offer lesson plans and instruction materials

Develop curriculums and educational programs for schools

Run websites for students and teachers, conferences, national showcases

Publishing house CIVITAS

... and many, many more...

# Our selected programs



**Our programs comprises the following areas:**

**SCHOOLS  
IMPROVEMENT  
AND  
DEVELOPMENT**

**SCHOOL  
CURRICULUMS**

**EDUCATIONAL  
PROJECTS AND  
CIVIC ACTIVITIES**

# School curriculums – examples

## Learning School

A network of schools supported by the CCE in their efforts to raise quality levels through teach teamwork, development of teaching and student assessment strategies and self-evaluation system. The program is run in cooperation with the Polish – American Freedom Foundation.



## School with Class 2.0

### How to use new technology in school?

- Good practises
- Rules
- Thousand of students involved

The program is run in cooperation with





# Schools improvement and development

## KOSS – Civic education in a local school

- Curriculum assisting teachers of civics for 17 years.
- KOSS explains the course of democracy and encourages to get involved locally.
- Priority given to the sense of belonging to local community.
- Approximately 350 000 students use KOSS every year.



## Young Entrepreneurs

### How to use new technology in school?

- participants learn how to manage their own resources and invest their funds
- they set up and run their own virtual companies
- students learn according to the new entrepreneurship curriculum



# Educational projects and civic activities

## STUDENT COUNCIL AND VOLUNTEERING

### Young People Vote

- students organize youth elections in their schools (presidential, parliamentary, referendum);
- the results are published in national media



### Student Council

Support for students self-government in schools and their initiatives.

Materials and trainings for students and their mentors.

Web-portal and e-coaching courses for students and teachers.



# Educational projects and civic activities

## ECOLOGY AND GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY

### Watch and Change

A project that use documentary films to bring a global perspective into the classroom.

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ECOLOGY



# EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES



**CULTURE, HERITAGE  
AND MEDIA**

# Action! Film Academy



**Filmoteka  
Szkolna**

# Literary Atlas of Poland



Students search for information on literary heritage of their own town and region.

They use new technology and new media.



# Traces of the Past – students adopt monuments

Students search for monuments in their region, learn about them and start to take care of them.

Young people promote monuments among local communities.

Students learn about local history and develop sense of belonging to the local community.

The programme is implemented in co-operation with Polish History Museum.



# Let's talk about freedom

Meetings

Interviews

Audio &  
Video

History  
1939 - 1989





# Kulthurrah!

Guided by a teacher, students prepare an **artistic project** revolving around the theme „My town, my history”.

Students taking part in in the program are invited to **theater, film and photography workshops.**




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## Folk culture & new technology



# EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS AND CIVIC ACTIVITIES



**STUDENTS ACADEMY -  
MATHEMATICS AND  
NATURAL SCIENCE**

Math and science projects in schools.

Students join science clubs, design experiments, run observations, and participate in peer-based learning projects.

The program is co – financed by the European Social Fund.



Thank you

