

## **Professional Social Studies Organizations**

### **[Indiana Council for the Social Studies \(link is external\)](#) (ICSS)**

ICSS is a voluntary, professional organization for teachers, supervisors, and administrators at the elementary, secondary, and collegiate levels that works for the improvements of the teaching of history, government, economics, sociology, geography, psychology, and problems courses. It is affiliated with the National Council for the Social Studies and with regional roundtables.

### **[Geography Educators Network of Indiana \(link is external\)](#) (GENI)**

GENI promotes the value and importance of geography in Indiana Schools and provides a forum and resources for teachers throughout Indiana. GENI sponsors workshops and summer institutes, holds conferences and meetings, and recognizes excellence in teaching by giving awards and grants.

### **[Indiana Council for Economic Education \(link is external\)](#) (ICEE)**

The ICEE is a comprehensive partnership of leaders from business, labor, agriculture, education, and government dedicated to increasing economic literacy in Indiana. Its mission is to prepare students to become active citizens and productive member of our economy by providing them with the ability to make sound economic decisions. The ICEE provides educator grants and awards, institutes and workshops, and educational material dealing with all aspects of economic literacy.

### **[Indiana Council for History Education \(link is external\)](#) (ICHE)**

The ICHE is a statewide organization working to strengthen history teaching and learning in Indiana. Its mission is to provide services, meetings and other activities for Indiana's educators; to present programs that emphasize the importance of history at all levels of education throughout Indiana; and to work with other history education organizations

## **National Organizations**

### **[National Council for the Social Studies \(link is external\)](#) (NCSS)**

The mission of NCSS is to provide leadership, service, and support for all social studies educators. Founded in 1921, NCSS has grown to be the largest association in the country devoted solely to social studies education. NCSS engages and supports educators in strengthening and advocating social studies.

### **[We the People: Project Citizen \(link is external\)](#)**

We the People: Project Citizen promotes competent and responsible participation in state and local government. It actively engages students in learning how to monitor and influence public policy and encourages civic participation among students, their parents, and members of the community.

**[We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution \(link is external\)](#)**

The primary goal of We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution is to promote civic competence and responsibility among the nation's elementary and secondary students. What makes the program so successful is the design of its instructional program, including its innovative culminating activity. The instructional program enhances students understanding of the institutions of American constitutional democracy. At the same time, students discover the contemporary relevance of the Constitution and Bill of Rights