



## MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WEEK

### TOOL KIT FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

## Talking Points for Speaking to High School Students

- What is a municipal government?
  - Different forms of government
    - Mayor - Council
    - Council - Manager
    - Commission
  
- Explain the job function of the different positions in government.
  - Mayor
  - Council
  - Clerks
  - Department Heads
  
- How does municipal government directly affect students?
  - What services does the municipality provide to schools and citizens?
  
- Compare the municipal body to the student council.
  - What are common characteristics of the student council compared to the municipal council / body?
    - Campaigning
    - Voting
    - Listening to the needs of the citizens / student body
  
- The importance of voting.
  - Why should we vote?
  - How does voting promote change?
  
- The importance of diversity within cities and towns.
  - Importance of parks and recreation.
  - Importance of providing different forms of transit.
  - Importance of accommodating to different cultural needs.