



## Literature Connection: Kids Voting USA'S Curriculum Themes & Suggested Books

Kids Voting USA offers excellent interactive lessons for teachers that are interesting to students and promote their critical thinking – plus the lessons are correlated with both State standards for Social Studies & English Language Arts and Literacy and the Missouri Learning Standards – so they not only help you develop responsible, engaged individuals but they assist you in meeting your own teaching goals!

The KVUSA curriculum has four major themes and is divided by Grade Level. **Teachers participating in KVMO can access the lessons by going to [www.kidsvotingmissouri.org](http://www.kidsvotingmissouri.org) and going to Teacher Resources-KVUSA activities.** Once there teachers will need a special *User Name* and *Password* to access KVUSA lessons. Please check with your district KVMO liaison for log on information or email Sandy Diamond at [sdiamond@umsl.edu](mailto:sdiamond@umsl.edu). You **do not** need a user name or password to access “Sandy’s Helpful Handouts.”

Grades K-2	KVUSA Curriculum Theme	Book	Author
	Elections and Voting	<i>Duck for President</i>	Doreen Cronin
	Democracy and the People	<i>D is for Democracy: A Citizen’s Alphabet</i>	Cheryl K. Grinn
	Informed Citizen	<i>Duck for President</i>	Doreen Cronin
	Civic Engagement	<i>Miss Rumphius</i>	Barbara Cooney
Grades 3-5	KVUSA Curriculum Theme	Book	Author
	Elections and Voting	<i>The Day GoGo Went to Vote</i>	Elinor Batezat Sisulu
	Democracy and the People	<i>Ideas of the Modern World: Democracy</i>	Nathaniel Harris
	Informed Citizen	<i>The Vote: Making Your Voice Heard</i>	Linda Scher
	Civic Engagement	<i>The Kid’s Guide to Social Action</i>	Barbara A. Lewis
Grades 6-8	KVUSA Curriculum Theme	Book	Author
	Elections and Voting	<i>A Time for Courage: The Suffragette Diary of Kathleen Bowen</i>	Kathryn Lansky
	Democracy and the People	<i>Government: How Local, State and Federal Government Works</i>	Mark Friedman
	Informed Citizen	<i>Landslide! A Kid’s Guide to the US Elections</i>	Dan Gutman
	Civic Engagement	<i>Fight On! Mary Church Terrell’s Battle for Integration</i>	Dennis Brindell Fradin
Grades 9-12	KVUSA Curriculum Theme	Book	Author
	Elections and Voting	<i>Voting and the Spirit of American Democracy</i>	Donald W. Rogers
	Democracy and the People	<i>Common Sense</i>	Thomas Paine
	Informed Citizen	<i>Presidential Leadership</i>	James Taranto
	Civic Engagement	<i>Teen Power Politics</i>	Sara Jane Boyer