

# Incursion Programs

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### Democracy Day - Stages of an Election (Full Day Event)

This day will take students through the election cycle: from issuing of the Writ, party creation and campaign development, candidate nominations, ballot draw, campaign presentations, voting, vote counting, and declaration of results. Suitable for a whole year level.

Recommended: From Year 8

### Mock Election (45 Minutes)

This program can fit into a rotation schedule during an event. Session can include enrolling to vote, campaign speeches, voting, vote counting and declaration of result.

Pre event preparations essential.

Recommended: From Year 5

### Democracy in Action (1 Hour)

A stand alone presentation or an introduction to your Civics and Citizenship unit. Content includes:

- The role of the Electoral Commission
- Elections in Australia (3 levels of government)
- Features of Australian Democracy
- Mock Election
- Preferential Ballot Count

Recommended: From Year 5

### End of Unit Election (Time negotiated)

Invite ECSA to support an election at the end of your Unit. We can provide support setting up your polling booth – providing voting screens, ballot boxes etc, and assistance with counting the votes.

Recommended: From Year 5

### Counting Votes (45 minutes)

Learn how votes are counted using the preferential and proportional systems. This session takes students through the process of determining formal and informal ballots and how the distribution of preferences occurs for House of Assembly seats, as well as how quotas are determined and votes allocated in the Legislative Council.

Recommended Year Level: negotiable

### First time voters - supporting the voters of tomorrow

Do you have a short slot to fill in a senior assembly? Or want a more in-depth presentation or practical experience for you senior students? The why and how of enrolling and voting and be tailored to your group size and time available.

Recommended : For Year 11 or 12



# Tailored Incursion Programs

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## ECSA can support or help run your school elections

Are you voting for School Captains, House Captains, or SRC? Do you want support or help to run the election? Contact Paula to ask how we can support the practice of active citizenship at your school.

## Tailored civics and democracy programs

Paula is available to discuss your learning requirements or grand plans, to explore how ECSA can support your ideation.

## Faculty support – How to run an election in your own class

We'll teach YOU. Upskill your staff on how to run an authentic election in their classroom and count the votes using the preferential system.

## Booking a program

Identify:

- which year levels are participating
- what you need to support education outcomes
- approximately how many students will be involved
- proposed dates for the incursion

## Partnerships

In partnership with the Parliament Community Education Office:

- Civics in the City - [education.parliament.sa.gov.au/schools/civics-in-the-city/](http://education.parliament.sa.gov.au/schools/civics-in-the-city/)
- Regional Tours - [education.parliament.sa.gov.au/book/schools/regional-programs/](http://education.parliament.sa.gov.au/book/schools/regional-programs/)

