



NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF  
**PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

# Quality Citizenship within Choice Ready

# What is Citizenship?

## **Formal definition:**

1: the status of being a citizen

2a: membership in a 'community'

2b: the quality of an individual's  
response to membership in a community

## **A more practical definition of Quality Citizenship ...**

One who respects others and their property. They are helpful and considerate to others without expecting something in return. A good citizen works hard to make the world a better place, makes contributions to society and works to learn new things about people and the world.

We want young people to leave school with a grasp of the political, legal and economic functions of society, and with the social and moral awareness to get involved and to promote those functions.

# Citizenship is ...

- **active:** emphasizes learning by doing
- **interactive:** uses discussion and debate
- **relevant:** focuses on real-life issues facing young people and society
- **critical:** encourages young people to think for themselves
- **collaborative:** employs group work and co-operative learning
- **participative:** gives young people a say in their own learning



# Personal QC qualities ...

Honesty – tell the truth

Integrity – be morally upright

Responsibility – be accountable for yourself and your actions

Respectfulness – treat others how you want to be treated

Compassion – show fellowship and empathy

Kindness – be friendly, considerate of others

Law abiding – follow rules and laws

Curiosity - be informed about the world around you

**Good citizenship comes in many forms  
and each person displays it differently.**

*We know it when we see it*  
*We know what it isn't*



**How do we measure that?**

# Real life action examples of QC

- Volunteer (local food bank, homeless shelter, church, recycling project, fund raising event)
- Exercise voting rights
- Participate in school/city meetings
- Serve in the armed forces
- Obey the law
- Joining a school or community club or organization



# Identify/select approved QC activities, document & rate as part of Choice Ready

- Develop a list of possible activities and guidance for selecting, completing, documenting and self-evaluation
  - Individually, case by case basis
  - Group or class project
- QC will be document on the Choice Ready (Military Ready) report (cloud) as yes, no, or NA as determined by expulsions or suspensions.