

**Virginia Standards of Learning Assessment
Civics and Economics
Performance Level Descriptors**

Fail/Does Not Meet	Pass/Proficient	Pass/Advanced
<p>A student performing at this level should be able to identify and define the branches and levels of government and the rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens; identify and define characteristics of the United States economic system including individual, business, and government contributions as well as personal financial responsibilities; and list ways citizens participate in political and economic processes.</p>	<p>A student performing at this level should be able to describe the structure of the national, state, and local governments and the powers of each branch; describe the characteristics of the United States economic system including individual, business, and government contributions as well as personal financial responsibilities; and explain the rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens and how citizens participate in political and economic processes.</p>	<p>A student performing at this level should be able to apply constitutional principles and government structures to modern and historical contexts; analyze the United States economic system including individual, business, and government contributions and personal financial responsibilities; and determine the impact of political or economic situations and decisions.</p>