

Ways We Learn

CRITICAL THINKING

MEDIA LITERACY

CIVIC EDUCATION

Students in traditional classrooms were...

Reading and hearing about a problem and the solution

Looking at one side of the story

Reflecting on past events

Learning about governmental topics and processes

Staging mock democratic processes

Learning discrete facts, timelines, events, and places

Checking out books at the library

Perusing out-of-date encyclopedias

Considering only local news

Students in today's classrooms are...

Solving realistic problems

Considering historical events from different points of view

Investigating the relationship between past events and current events and/or local issues

Discussing current and controversial issues

Engaging in the democratic process

Requiring service learning and community building projects

Critiquing messages received from diverse media outlets

Recognizing and considering different points of view

Analyzing products and information

Students on a WorldStrides program are...

Problem solving - money, transportation, unfamiliar places and cultures

Seeing multiple points of view & questioning beliefs and values

Gaining adaptability and flexibility

Developing tolerance for and engaging with different cultures, people, and ideas

Listening to and showing respect to others

Collaborating to solve common problems

Discussing current events and global issues

Interacting with multiple modes of media

Questioning what they are told and what they hear