



Engaging Students in Contemporary Issues and Civic Action Through Art

Knowledge and Education

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Through this lesson, students will meet the following learning objectives:

- Think critically about issues related to education, student life and community responsibility for schools
- Examine how students can be advocates for educational innovation in their schools
- Use art to express their opinions and perspectives on Education
- Share perspectives on how to work with teachers and school administrations to improve the quality of education in their schools

youTHink lessons are aligned with California's Social Studies, Language Arts and Visual Arts standards.



Art Project Base: Styrofoam Head

This lesson is recommended for students in grades 3 to 12.



Sample Student Art Project

THE YOUTHINK APPROACH

youTHink applies a critical pedagogy model that allows students to name, reflect and act on the major social issues confronting them.

Discussion: Students share their perspectives on education by interpreting select works of social commentary art.

Art project: Students create their own art project expressing their opinions on education.

Presentation: Students teach each other about their perspectives by presenting their art projects to the rest of the class.