

Table 14. Civic Attitudes Level Descriptions for the Civic Competency and Engagement Module

Higher Level	Medium Level	Lower Level
<i>In responding to descriptions of civic-related scenarios with expressions of different perspectives on those scenarios, test takers at this level are <b>very likely</b> to agree with:</i>	<i>In responding to descriptions of civic-related scenarios with expressions of different perspectives on those scenarios, test takers at this level are <b>likely</b> to agree with:</i>	<i>In responding to descriptions of civic-related scenarios with expressions of different perspectives on those scenarios, test takers at this level are <b>somewhat likely</b> to agree with, but occasionally disagree with:</i>
assertions that are in line with commonly accepted values of democracy (e.g., sense of civic responsibility)	assertions that are in line with commonly accepted values of democracy (e.g., sense of civic responsibility)	assertions that are in line with commonly accepted values of democracy (e.g., sense of civic responsibility)
proposals that tend to encourage a democratic exchange of views	proposals that tend to encourage a democratic exchange of views	proposals that tend to encourage a democratic exchange of views
proposals that take into account community needs	proposals that take into account community needs	proposals that take into account community needs
assertions that acknowledge diverse opinions and the value of hearing them expressed	assertions that acknowledge diverse opinions and the value of hearing them expressed	assertions that acknowledge diverse opinions and the value of hearing them expressed
assertions that express a willingness to engage in political or community issues and activities	assertions that express a willingness to engage in political or community issues and activities	assertions that express a willingness to engage in political or community issues and activities
assertions that individual participation in political or community issues is inherently worthwhile	assertions that individual participation in political or community issues is inherently worthwhile	assertions that individual participation in political or community issues is inherently worthwhile
assertions that individuals can effect meaningful change by engaging in the political process	assertions that individuals can effect meaningful change by engaging in the political process	assertions that individuals can effect meaningful change by engaging in the political process
proposals that would lead to increased civic participation by individuals or groups	proposals that would lead to increased civic participation by individuals or groups	proposals that would lead to increased civic participation by individuals or groups