High School Diploma Civics Education Seal

This Act directs the state board of education to establish criteria for awarding a diploma seal for excellence in civics education and understanding of the state and federal constitutions and the democratic model of government.

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Suggested State Legislation

(Title, enacting clause, etc.)

Section 1. This Act may be cited as “An Act to Establish a Seal for Excellence in Civics Education.”

Section 2. [Diploma Seal for Excellence in Civics Education.]
The [state board of education], by [insert date], shall establish criteria for awarding a special seal on standard and advanced studies diplomas. The special seal shall be awarded for excellence in civics education and understanding the state and federal constitutions and the democratic model of government. The [board] shall consider including in the criteria:

(A) The successful completion of history, government, and civics courses;
(B) Courses that incorporate character education;
(C) Voluntary participation in community service or extracurricular activities; and
(D) Related requirements as it deems appropriate.

Section 3. [Severability.] [Insert severability clause.]

Section 4. [Repealer.] [Insert repealer clause.]

Section 5. [Effective Date.] [Insert effective date.]