

DISCOVER GRANDE PRAIRIE

MODULE 2

Bylaws

This is a comprehensive overview. Modules will incorporate material from the content below but may not cover everything due to time constraints.

The "Bylaws" module is designed to educate students about the importance, creation, and implementation of bylaws within a municipality. Students will learn what bylaws are, why they are necessary, and how they are created and enforced. The module includes interactive elements such as a mock council meeting where students can experience the process of proposing, debating, and passing or rejecting a bylaw.

Curriculum Outline

1. What is a Bylaw and Why Do We Need Them?

- **Overview Presentation:** Introduction to bylaws, their purpose, and their importance in maintaining order and safety in the community.
 - **Discussion:** Examples of common bylaws and their impact on daily life.
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2. How Does Council Create a Bylaw?

- **Step-by-Step Explanation:** Breakdown of the process from proposal to adoption of a bylaw.
- ****Interactive Session:** Collaboration with municipal enforcement, featuring a visit from a real bylaw officer to discuss their role and answer questions.

**Subject to availability. Requests to include a bylaw officer must be made a minimum of 1 month in advance.

3. Council Meeting Simulation

- **Preparation:** Instruction sheet for teachers available for download prior to the visit to prepare students.
 - **Mock Council Meeting:** Students participate in a simulated council meeting where they propose a bylaw, debate its merits, and then vote to pass or reject it.
 - **Debate Guidelines:** Clear rules and structure provided to ensure an engaging and educational experience.
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Learning Objectives

- **Understand what a bylaw is** and why bylaws are essential for community governance.
- **Learn the process of how a bylaw is created** by the city council.
- **Explore the roles of municipal enforcement officers** in implementing and enforcing bylaws.
- **Participate in a simulated council meeting** to experience the process of proposing, debating, and deciding on a bylaw.