

EXTEND THE RESOURCES

Below is a list of ideas and ways you might use the resources provided on this Classroom Law Project resource page to extend learning and civic engagement for your students:

Start with Choice & Inquiry:

The sections on this Current Event Resource Page connect to the February 2022 invasion of Ukraine by Russian military forces and the role NATO has in the conflict, and its run up. There should be a subtopic within this Current Event that students may find interesting. For example, the history of NATO, the tension between the stated reasons Russia gave for the invasion versus others' presumptions, the role of the U.S. in NATO, the utility of multinational military alliances in the 21st century, and more. Give students the opportunity to choose a topic or connection of interest and start with that.

Extensions with the Articles/Editorials:

- News Analysis worksheets (handout on current event page)
- Further News Research (Research Tips handout on current event page)
- Annotated summaries of articles
- Socratic discussions with shared article texts

Extensions:

- Dig more deeply into the topic by having students create a timeline from the creation of NATO and the Warsaw Pact to the present day invasion of Ukraine.
- Students can prepare and engage in a Structured Academic Controversy around the role, effectiveness, and need for NATO.
- Create a debate or presentation in which students present their own stance on the question, "What should the United States and its allies be doing about the Ukraine invasion, and how should they go about doing it?"