



Democracy by Degrees

Every voter was once a student. Once you see that, everything else lands differently.

So, what happens next?

Start thinking

- What did you learn?
- What hadn't occurred to you before?
- Angry? Worried? Unsettled?
- What are you still sitting with?

Start talking

- Tell one person what stayed with you.
- Send the film to someone who'd never find it.
- Bring it up at dinner.
- It names no party and no villain. You can pass it on without starting a fight.

Start asking

Most kids in your community go to public school. Nine in ten, nationally. Almost every decision about them is made by people who live near you. What's taught. Which books are on the shelf. How big the classes are. Who gets hired. What a teacher can discuss. Not Washington, DC. Your school board. Your statehouse. They're reachable. Almost nobody asks them anything.

Your school board

What are students learning about civics?

Who decides which books are on the shelves?

What are teachers telling you they're worried about?

Your elected state officials

Are schools getting the resources they need?

What, if any, curriculum restrictions are in place? How is that decided?

Your kids' teachers

Has anything changed about what's comfortable to discuss?

What would you teach more of if you could?

What do you wish parents knew?

Start Voting

School board races are the least covered on the ballot and the easiest to change. One seat moves a district. Check your registration. Check your deadline. Vote all the way down.

Be a degree of change.