

## KET: Capitol Education Resources

This is a wonderful Social Studies resource when focused on introducing students to the Kentucky State Capitol, Old State Capitol, and the workings of state government. There are five pick-and-choose segments and each with its own support guide. Go to the website below for access to each segment.

Audience: *Grades 3-12*

Website: <http://ket.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/ketcivcapedres/ket-capitol-education-center-resouces/en/>

Features and Materials Include:

“Where Are You in Frankfort?”

*This interactive map of the Kentucky State Capitol campus includes images and information about the Capitol, the Capitol Annex, the Governor’s Mansion, and other buildings along Capitol Avenue in Frankfort. The main Capitol has housed the legislative branches of Kentucky government since 1910. The Annex was completed in the 1950’s. Also included in the map is the Governor’s Mansion, which was built in 1914.*

“The Kentucky Capitol Dome Renovation”

*In this KET video, students learn about the new murals in the renovated dome of the Kentucky Capitol Building, see the artists working on the pieces, and hear State Curator David L. Buchta describe his vision for the murals.*

“The Kentucky Old Capitol Building”

*The Old Capitol Building in Frankfort, Kentucky is a historic building with lots of interesting stories to tell. Students can find out about its history by clicking on various interior and exterior photographs, and reading the accompanying information.*

“The Three Branches of State Government”

*Our government system was constructed to give a voice to each member of the population and ensure a balance of power between the separate branches. This video offers a broad explanation of the three branches of the Kentucky state government and the function of each.*

“How Does a Bill Become a Law?”

*How Does a Bill Become a Law? is a great way to introduce students to the process of how a bill becomes a law. This interactive starts out informing students about who can write a bill and who needs to introduce it, then follows the bill through the various committees and chambers until, finally, it is signed into law by the Governor.*