

South Country Central School District

Generation Citizen Presentation

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Board of Education Priorities and Generation Citizen

Generation Citizen Mission



Generation Citizen works to ensure that every student in the United States receives the knowledge and skills necessary to participate in our democracy as active citizens. We envision a country of young people working to collectively strengthen our American democracy.



GC and South Country Partnership

GC partners with social studies teachers and Bellport Middle School to help implement GC's standards aligned Action Civics education and project

Designed to be facilitated in a minimum of twenty (20) instructional hours—

GC provides advocacy planning and support for educators, and resources for students. GC will lead virtual training to adapt the Curriculum for the Virtual Setting

Acceptance for a one-year grant, funded through the Long Island Community Foundation





How will our Bellport Middle School students engage in civics?

Students debate and build consensus around an issue that personally affects them

Students research and analyze the root causes of their issue, and develop an action plan

Students put plans into action by meeting with legislators, creating petitions, and/or informing policy

Students present their action plans at Civics Day

Students are prepared and motivated for long term political engagement

Classroom Issue Examples

Justice and Equality: Bullying, discrimination, Immigration, Racism, affordable housing and more

Health: PTSD among Veterans, suicide prevention, mental health

Environment:

Civics Day

Students in each class reach a consensus about an action project they wish to undertake to improve the community and learn how to deal with key lawmakers, the manners of behavior, and the root causes of a problem before they proceed.

Civics Day is the culmination and celebration of their action projects.

The projects that were presented st Patchogue-Medford: Getting a student council at Patchogue-Medford, Getting a sidewalk on Buffalo Avenue to the High School.



