

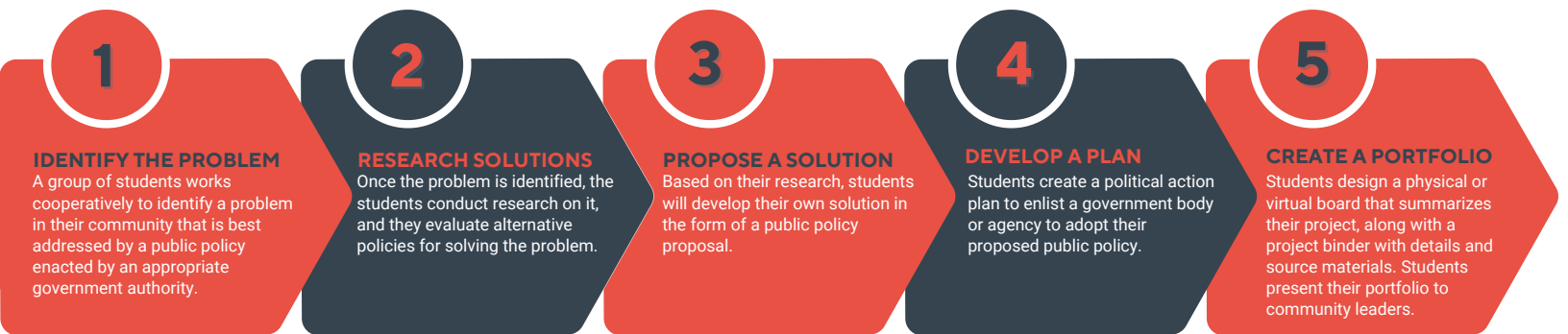


PROJECT CITIZEN



WHAT IS PROJECT CITIZEN?

Project Citizen is a nationwide program developed by the Center for Civic Education. Project Citizen focuses on the role of state and local governments in the U.S. federal system. The curriculum involves an entire class of students or members of youth or adult groups in a series of structured, cooperative-learning activities that are guided by teachers, organization leaders, and adult volunteers. Working in cooperative teams, the students learn to interact with their government through a five-step process that includes the following:



STUDENTS WILL:

- Work with clear, attainable goals that set criteria for performance
- Connect with real-world problems and events
- Integrate a variety of related concepts and ideas
- Use knowledge and skills from multiple disciplines
- Learn to cooperate with peers
- Relate assessment activities to instructional activities
- Interact with community members and policy experts

EFFECTIVENESS

Independent studies of the effects of the Project Citizen program reveal that it has a significant impact on the civic knowledge of young people, their civic skills, and their propensity to participate in civic and political life. Students who participate in Project Citizen outperform their peers in their knowledge of public policy, knowledge of democracy, public policy problem-solving skills, persuasive writing ability, civic discourse skills, and ability to articulate, research, and advocate policy solutions.

PROJECT COMMUNITY

PAID PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



YOU'LL RECEIVE:



Forty-six hours of research-proven professional development, beginning with an in-person Summer Institute in Annapolis, Maryland July 13th-17th.



Training in the Center for Civic Education's "Project Citizen" curriculum, which engages students in collaboratively proposing public policy solutions to problems in their communities.



Presentations from expert scholars on public policy, media literacy, and political philosophy to deepen your content knowledge.



Resources for teaching media literacy, public policy, and "Project Citizen" presented by current classroom teachers.



Continued support and professional development throughout the 2025-2026 school year, led by expert mentor teachers.



A \$500 stipend for your time and meeting the research requirements.



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