Educating for Change
Student-Led Civic Engagement

Resource List
Webinar Series

In May 2021, the Center for Public Research and Leadership (CPRL) at Columbia University hosted a 3-part webinar series on student-led civic engagement, a more participatory form of civics education.

CPRL designed the series to:

• Develop a definition of student-led civic engagement
• Share stories about what teaching and learning looks like as part of student-led civic engagement
• Gather resources to help teachers and leaders create opportunities for student-led civic engagement
Student-Led Civic Engagement

A Working Definition

Student-led civic engagement means students acquire the knowledge, skills, values, and motivation to make a difference in their communities by leading efforts to address issues that are important to them.

- Learn about local government
- Build investment in the community
- Develop deeper knowledge of local history and issues
- Advocate for policy change
Resource List

Throughout the series, CPRL met with teachers, leaders, and researchers. This document compiles the resources they mentioned and more.

Resources include...

- Frameworks to support the design of curriculum and programs
- Instructional materials and curated lists of curricular resources
- Opportunities for professional development
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Educating for Democracy in the Digital Age

Facing History & Ourselves

Generation Citizen

iCivics

Illinois Civics

John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum
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KidCitizen

Mikva Challenge

National Action Civics Collaborative

National Constitution Center

National Council for the Social Studies

New York State K-12 Social Studies Resource Toolkit
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PBS Learning Media: Civics and Government

Project Look Sharp, Ithaca College

Smithsonian

WeTeachNYC

Zinn Education Project
More Resources

- Re-watch and share the webinar series by visiting CPRL’s YouTube channel
- Check out CPRL’s ongoing efforts to imagine what democratic participation looks like in school systems and work to support more integrated and inclusive school settings
Thanks!

Thank you to all our panelists who shared their experiences and resources.

Webinar 1
• Christina Ross from Baltimore City Public Schools’ Bmore Me
• Heather Van Benthuysen of Chicago Public Schools’ Educating for Democracy

Webinar 2
• Robert Markuske of Marine Affairs and Marine Policy Program at the New York Harbor School
• Martin Mintz from Generation Citizen

Webinar 3
• Michael Blauw and Chaebong Nam of the Democratic Knowledge Project at Harvard University
• Christy Radez of New York State Education Department’s Civic Readiness Initiative

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