

Pillar 3 Actions

Pennsylvania Voter registration

<https://www.votespa.com/Register-to-Vote/Pages/How-to-Register-to-Vote.aspx>

This site details the voter registration process via a short video and step by step procedures for registering online, by mail, in person at the county registration office, and at PennDOT and other government agencies.

Pennsylvania Department of State Governor's Civic Engagement Award

<https://www.dos.pa.gov/VotingElections/Documents/GCEA-School-Application.pdf>

The Governor's Civic Engagement Award is intended to recognize and commemorate the efforts of the next generation of leaders to educate, engage and inform their fellow students how to get involved in the voting process. Individual students must be recommended for the award by a representative from their school or the county election office. Award applications can be mailed to: Department of State, c/o Governor's Civic Engagement Award, 210 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, PA, 17120 or emailed to ra-voterreg@pa.gov.

Inspire U.S.

https://www.inspire-usa.org/high_school_signup

Inspire U.S. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and is strictly nonpartisan. It currently has schools in planning and conducting student peer-to-peer voter registration activities, as well as guides students to engage with elected officials at the local, state and national level. Inspire U.S. is collaborating with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to launch this year's Governor's Civic Engagement Award.

4-H Civic Engagement

<https://4-h.org/parents/civic-engagement/>

The 4-H civic engagement programs empower young people to be well-informed citizens actively engaged in their communities and the world. Youth learn about civic affairs, build decision-making skills and develop a sense of understanding and confidence in relating and connecting to other people.

American Foreign Service Association National High School Essay Contest

<http://www.afsa.org/essay-contest>

The American Foreign Service Association (AFSA)'s National High School Essay Contest encourages students to think about how and why the United States engages globally to build peace, and about the role that the foreign service plays in advancing U.S. national security and economic prosperity.

A Broader View

<https://www.abroaderview.org/>

A Broader View enables volunteers to travel to foreign countries to engage in service work abroad. The project is designed to engage volunteers in humanitarian projects to gain a greater perspective and understanding of different cultures while also giving back to communities worldwide. Programs include travelling to teach English and reading skills, to help establish elderly care programs abroad, and to aid with women's support projects. The project supports high school faculty-led service trips, as well as trips for college groups.

Campus Compact

<https://compact.org/>

Campus Compact is a coalition of over 1,000 colleges and universities with the goal of providing civic engagement programs. Among the many resources are links to websites offering relevant information such as voting, civic engagement, and fact checking.

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR): Good Citizens Award and Scholarship

<https://www.dar.org/sites/default/files/members/darnet/forms/DGC-1007.pdf>

The DAR Good Citizens Award and Scholarship Contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. This award recognizes and rewards 12th grade students who possess good citizenship qualities of dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism in their homes, schools, and communities. These students are selected by their teachers and peers because they demonstrate these qualities to an outstanding degree.

Habitat for Humanity

<https://www.habitat.org/>

Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope. They have programs for teen volunteers.

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp Programs

<http://www.usarmyjrotc.com/index.php>

The U.S. Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) is one of the world's largest character development and citizenship programs for youth. The National Defense Act of 1916 established organized JROTC programs at public and private educational institutions. As congressionally mandated by Title 10 United States Code, Section 2031, each military service must have a JROTC program to "instill in students in United States secondary educational institutions the values of citizenship, service to the United States, and personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment."

The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania

<https://www.palwv.org/>

The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania is a nonpartisan grassroots organization designed to help voters to learn about government issues and candidates.

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest

<https://members.sar.org/media/uploads/pages/50/5cs4y14FColg.pdf>

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) invites all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students interested in the American Revolution to participate in the Americanism Elementary School Poster Contest. The contest is open to public school, parochial, home schooled, Scouting, or Children of the American Revolution member students in that same grade range. Young artists with an enthusiasm toward art, a love of American history, or a passion in creative expression can submit their posters to their local SAR chapter for competition.

Special Olympics PA

<https://specialolympicspa.org/get-involved/become-a-volunteer>

The mission of Special Olympics PA is to provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and

participate in a sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community.

United States Senate Youth Scholarship Program

https://ussenateyouth.org/selection_process_qualify/

The United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP) is an intensive week-long educational experience and scholarship sponsored by the United States Senate for outstanding high school students who are interested in pursuing careers in public service. Rising high school juniors and seniors may obtain a United States Senate Youth Scholarship Program application through their high school principals, guidance counselors and social studies teachers OR they may inquire directly to their state selection contacts using this website.