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## YOU CAN HELP HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS BECOME LIFE, CAREER & CITIZEN-READY

**BE ONE OR ALL FOUR: SPEAKER, MENTOR, VOLUNTEER, PARTNER**

Students in your local high school are participating in a life-changing experience that teaches them character, civics, career preparedness, financial literacy, essential skills and community engagement.

We're asking **YOU** to be involved as they prepare academically and personally for graduation and their next chapter as productive, outstanding citizens of your community.

Be a guest **speaker** in a classroom / assembly setting, **mentor** individual students or groups throughout their journey, and **volunteer** at numerous ongoing Citizen Promise events and activities throughout the year. Individuals and businesses are encouraged to **partner** with Liberty Learning Foundation, DCS, and the DACC by donating resources that ensure the success of the program.

Your participation shows students that they have caring and powerful resources at every turn ... and that their success is based on actions and impacts they make today.

**MORE DETAILS**



# CITIZEN PROMISE INTRODUCTION

The Citizen Promise Program helps high school students become life, career, and citizen-ready. The model creates an environment for success, sets goals for engagement and rewards achievement. By leveraging public-private partnerships, students are encouraged and supported as they learn about founding documents of American history and their relevance today. Students are challenged to apply corresponding concepts to develop **essential skills**, build character and increase community involvement through *Citizen Actions*. Students will use their Time, Talent and Treasure to make an impact on their community. Opportunities throughout the year help **inspire and educate the whole citizen** by ensuring the comprehension of **critical civic, character, historical and career / life knowledge**. Liberty Learning Foundation rallies a "Promise Ring" of passionate partners to support and mentor students in their community. School administrators, counselors and teachers facilitate, mentor, and celebrate student achievements. Together, we help students engage in real-world opportunities, giving them a firm foundation and a roadmap for the paths they choose after graduation.



**CITIZEN PROMISE SCHOOL-BASED FACILITATORS / MENTORS** - Counselors, Career Prep, ELA, and History teachers play an integral role in facilitating the intellectual and life skills foundation of the program. Administrators support teachers and their students during this journey to becoming productive citizens in their school and community.

**CITIZEN PROMISE TRAINING** - Teachers, principals and system administrators receive professional development training based on A+ College Ready standards, AL Course of Study and the mandated civics exam.

**CITIZEN RALLY** - Students assemble together for an interactive / informational talk challenging them to take up the Citizen Promise! The conclusion of the rally ends with a call-to-action.

**CITIZEN CHAMPIONS** - Individuals and businesses are recruited to help. They invest time as mentors and volunteers and may offer resources to support the students in their personal growth.

**CITIZEN PROMISE AMBASSADORS** - These students are chosen to serve as peer-to-peer motivators, keeping students actively involved in Citizen Promise activities throughout the year.

**CITIZEN PROMISE WEBSITE/INSTAGRAM** - Students and parents stay current on Citizen Promise activities and opportunities using our informational online hub.

**DIGITAL PORTFOLIO** - Students establish school and career goals, create resumes, and research colleges and career opportunities using this powerful tool. The platform is also a holding place for special projects, papers and awards.

**CITIZEN ACTIONS** - Students are incentivised to participate in life, career, and citizen-ready opportunities in their community, ultimately carrying them on journeys that change their lives ... and those they impact in the process.

**CITIZEN PROMISE GRANT** - These community investment grants will be awarded to Seniors through multifaceted criteria. Awards may be used to fund equipment needed in a new job, college or technical school expenses, computer or job interview needs, etc.

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## MENTOR OVERVIEW

### Sharing Your Time, Talent & Treasure

- Attend a minimum of two Citizen Promise (small group) Rallies
- Participate in periodic mentor sessions throughout the year via text, email or phone.
- Participate in several of the Citizen Promise "Check-In" Sessions. These will held a maximum of once a month, just a few hours over a period of one school day
- Participate in at least one of the following proposed program event days:
  - Mock Interview/Job training workshops
  - "Adulting" Day
  - Reality Check Events
  - Citizen Promise Grants - Candidate's Reception
  - Job Fairs
- Attend an annual (per grade level) year end Progress Party - there will be one of these held per grade (9th-12th)

## HOW THE CITIZEN PROMISE MODEL WORKS

### THE PROMISE "RING"

