PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Achieving Academic Standards through Civic Action

The Center for Civic Education, Georgetown University, the Tennessee Center for Civic Learning and Engagement, and Georgia Project Citizen present a unique opportunity for upper elementary, middle school and high school teachers to take part in professional development featuring We the People: Project Citizen, one of the country’s foremost civic education programs.

The Project Citizen Research Program uses Project Citizen curricular materials as the primary base of instruction. The materials are designed to foster active participation in a process-oriented curriculum that allows students to use interdisciplinary skills to monitor and influence public policy in their communities to solve real-life issues. Each participant receives a classroom set of Project Citizen textbooks, access to numerous resources, a monetary stipend, as well as additional materials on public policy. This Institute is funded by the Center for Civic Education through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education and presented by the Tennessee Center for Civic Learning and Engagement. The Institute will be held in Chattanooga, Tennessee, July 10-15, 2022.

Benefits of Attendance

- Learn how to use Project Citizen in your educational or organizational setting
- Learn about public policy and policymaking from experts in the field
- Examine strategies to improve literacy skills through authentic civic action
- Apply classroom management skills to project-based learning
- Integrate interdisciplinary learning into classroom instruction
- Enhance use of interactive teaching methods

All EXPENSES PAID

Participants chosen to attend will receive

- A set of Project Citizen textbooks and other professional resource and materials
- A stipend for completion
- Classroom supplies
- Lodging, Meals, Travel
- Professional Development Credit
- Networking with like-minded educators
SUMMER 2022 Chattanooga, Tennessee July 10 – 15, 2022

Project Citizen for developing the 21st Century Citizen

Using Project Citizen as a tool for building community, participants will explore the relationship between civil and human rights, public policy, and civic engagement. The trainers will reinforce civic knowledge, skills, and dispositions as participants examine their community’s problems and concerns through the eyes of the “other.” Participants will learn how to use Project Citizen as a tool for creating a public policy on the local level.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete the application form, including written statement.
2. Make a photocopy of the application and attachments for your records.
3. All inquiries should be made to the contact information below.
4. Completed application forms and required documents can be mailed to the physical address below or scanned and emailed:

   Janis Adams Kyser, Executive Director
   Tennessee Center for Civic Learning and Engagement
   203 Rocky Road Dunlap, Tennessee 37327
   423-593-1444 (Cell)  Tccle111@gmail.com

Educators will be notified of acceptance as soon as the COMPLETED APPLICATION is submitted.

- Applicants are required to be teaching in grades 5-12 during the 2022-23 academic year,
- Applicant agrees to implement Project Citizen in at least one class or with one youth group in the 2022-2023 school year and
- Applicant agrees to submit a class portfolio to the South Regional culminating event.

Each applicant agrees to complete all required activities to include the following:

- Participate in 30 hours of professional development at the summer institute;
- Provide at least 20 hours of classroom instruction on Project Citizen;
- Participate in an additional 12 hours of professional development during the school year, (in person or virtually) and will be determined at the Institute
- Take a Pre-Test at the Summer Institute and a Post-Test upon completion of all professional development hours and classroom implementation;
- Administer Pre- and Post-tests to participating students

YOUR STIPEND will be paid upon completion of the program.
**APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE — June 15, 2022**
Please submit your application early to ensure a place in the Institute.

Required Documents (incomplete applications will not be considered)
- Completed and signed application form
- Statement of administrative support

The Summer Institute will be held in Chattanooga, TN July 10 – 15, 2022 with ALL EXPENSES PAID!

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**Summer contact information (required in order to provide updates)**

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**Applicant Agreement (Signature Required)**

By signing below, the applicant agrees to fulfill all the commitments associated with the PC Research Program. The Center for Civic Education is depending on its participants to implement the program, participate in additional professional development workshops, and submit a project in the culminating South Regional showcase.

Signature _________________________________________________

**Statement of Administrative Support**

Administrative Contact ____________________________________________

Title ____________________________________________________________

Email __________________________________________________________

The ____________________________ school district/organization understands that ____________________________ (applicant) will implement We the People: Project Citizen in his/her classroom/youth group. The district/organization will support him/her in this activity. I agree to support his/her implementation of Project Citizen and will allow him/her to participate in all required activities.

Signature ____________________________________________________

**Comments:** Please let us know if you food sensitive (gluten, vegan, etc) or need additional accommodations.