



We the People, working as one.
Serving the community, one by

Florida Public Service Association

“FPSA is a Career Technical Student Organization (CTSO) recognized by the Florida Department of Education as the CTSO that provides coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for further Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) education and careers in the Law, Public Safety and Security and Firefighter career cluster; provides technical skill proficiency, and includes competency-based applied learning that contributes to the academic knowledge, higher-order reasoning and problem-solving skills, work attitudes, general employability skills, technical skills, and occupation-specific skills, and knowledge of all aspects of the Law, Public Safety and Security career cluster. This organization offers a broad foundation of STEM knowledge and skills to prepare students for employment in network support services positions.” FPSA will continue to accelerate students in “mastery and command of subject matter” to promote STEM related skills in the classroom and at state conference/competitions.”

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F.P.S.A. Competitive Events

Criminal Justice

Brain Bowl CJ
Criminal Case Analysis
Criminal Incident
Defensive Tactics
Evidence Packaging
Felony Traffic Stop
Forensic Investigation
Ideal Prison
Incident Report Writing
Latent Finger Prints
Traffic Accident Report Writing
Traffic Stop
Use of Force Novice
Use of Force Advanced

Criminal Justice

Community Service Project
CPR
Extemporaneous Opening Statement
Extemporaneous Speaking
Job Seeking Skills
Mr and Miss Public Service
Obstacle Course
Parliamentary Procedures
Prepared Bulletin Board Display
Prepared Marketing Poster Display
Prepared Speaking
Scrapbook
State Awards Program
Talent Competition
Theme



We the People
THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION

The We the People Program

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More on We the People Program

We the People educates participants about the history of the United States and its Constitution. Encouraging participants to delve into its antecedents like the Magna Carta and the Articles of Confederation. Inspiring them to learn about the Civil War and the challenges the founding fathers encountered during the construction of our constitutional ideals and the practicality of governance in a time of war. Forcing them to ponder on the struggles the founders faced to give all Americans the promises embedded in the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

More importantly, the "We the People Program" teaches participants: How to learn, How to think, How to work on a team, How to be a friend, How to speak in public, How to listen, How to write, How to take constructive criticism, How to give constructive criticism, How to believe in themselves, How to rely on others, and How to compete with dignity.

Moreover, We the People assists participants in uncovering that the American government serves and responds to "the People". Citizens of all ages, from anywhere, can shape national policy.



Florida YMCA Youth In Government

The Youth In Government Program

The Y's Youth in Government program is a national program that involves thousands of teens nationwide in state-organized, model-government programs. Students from every corner of the U.S. have the opportunity to immerse themselves in experiential civic engagement and practice democracy. Teens from across every state meet in their local Youth in Government groups throughout the year to discuss and debate issues that affect citizens of their state and to propose legislation. The program culminates with teens serving as delegates at their state conference, debating bills on the floor of the legislature.

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Youth In Government Purpose

To enhance the development of the American democratic process by enabling young Americans to prepare for moral and political leadership by providing guidance, training, and experience in the theory and practice of determining public policy;

- To provide leadership training to meet the needs of a democratic society.
- To provide an understanding and awareness of modern government.
- To provide opportunities for participation in the legislative process.
- To provide opportunities to become significantly involved in social issues.
- To develop self-confidence and self-expression.
- To provide opportunities to gain experience in political action.
- To sponsor an inter-association event and laboratory training on the democratic process of our country attractive to high school youth.
- To increase the ability of members to organize ideas clearly, concisely, and persuasively along with giving individuals experience in the art of speech making and debate.
- To enable the individual to learn to take defeat without discouragement as well as to learn to be tolerant of others' points of view.



CRHS Mock Trial

Mock Trial Program

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Competition framework

Competitive mock trial functions in yearly cycles. Each year, a case packet is distributed to all participating schools in late summer to early fall. The case packet is a series of documents including the charges, penal code, stipulations, case law, and jury instructions as well as all exhibits and affidavits relevant to the case. During a mock trial, competitors are restricted to only the materials provided in the case packet and may not reference any outside sources. In order to prepare for competition, teams thoroughly read and analyze the case packet.

Mock trial teams consist of a minimum of six and a maximum of twelve official members.^[8] Each team prepares both sides of the case: prosecution and defense in a criminal trial, plaintiff and defense in a civil action. Each side is composed of three attorneys (or in certain cases, two attorneys) and three witnesses, all played by members of the team. Therefore, the team's twelve members must be organized into two teams of five-six for the prosecution/plaintiff and defense sides.^{[9][10]} It is important to note that high school mock trial is governed by state bar associations, meaning that cases, rules, and competition structure vary from state to state whereas all of college mock trial is governed by the American Mock Trial Association, meaning that every school uses the same case and is subject to the same rules.