



## Civic Engagement and Service Learning Planning Grid

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Activity Name	Objectives	Family Involvement?	Notes
An Hour or Two	Students work for a cause or candidate in the community.		
Assisting People with Disabilities	Students develop and carry out plans to assist individuals with disabilities in registering to vote and voting.		
Ball Game: Koosh Ball Catch	Students play and modify a ball game to discover the power of group deliberation in a democracy.		
Creative Expressions	Students create an artistic display or a public performance to educate the school community about different perspectives on a school issue.		
Culminating Activity: Service-learning Action Plan	Students list problems facing their community and choose an area for service.		
Debate the Issue	Students debate a topic and communicate effectively with one another.		
Designing a Campaign Button	After discussing/describing the visual and technical qualities of campaign buttons, students will understand the use of art to help communicate a message; will understand the importance and significance of campaign buttons in elections since 1896; will use historical campaign buttons as primary sources for discussion of the use of color, lettering, composition, and the message to be conveyed at the time; and use active imagination to create an original design for an effective campaign button.		
Exit Polling	Students poll voters after they participate in an election.		
Helping an Organization	Students identify an organization working on an issue of concern to them and assist the organization with one of its projects.		



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LITERATURE CONNECTION ACTIVITY Teen Power Politics by Sara Jane Boyers	Students implement service projects to create positive change in their communities.		
My Turn: Targeting a Problem for Teens	Students learn about different problems affecting teenagers, choose one, and brainstorm ways to make a difference.		
Registering New Voters	Students distribute voter registration information to adults who are not currently registered to vote.		
Service Learning Curriculum Activities	Additional resource with 40 activities		
Teaching an Elementary Lesson	Students teach a lesson on an aspect of civic participation to an elementary class.		
Voicing Your Opinion	Students attend a meeting (school board, town, city council, etc.) and voice their views on a selected issue either verbally or in writing.		