

MARCUS HALL CIVIC ENGAGEMENT ACADEMY – RULES OF DISCUSSION ENGAGEMENT

Creating expectations that allow everyone in the group to participate and feel respected.

- Step up, step back.
 - Recognize that the strongest group conversations include a balance of all voices.
 - Notice how much you are/are not speaking in group discussions.
 - Make an effort to share when your voice is not heard.
 - Create space for others to share for themselves so their voices are not lost.
- There are no stupid questions.
- Avoid side conversations when someone is speaking to the group.
- Use “I” statements when speaking.
- Be willing to share your ideas and experiences with others.
- Give each other the benefit of the doubt.
- Everything discussed during the session is confidential.