



Community Partnership Commitment

Building Informed Citizens. Strengthening Communities. Empowering the Next Generation of Voters.

Purpose

The Lower 9th Ward Voter's Coalition believes that preparing young people for civic life is a shared responsibility. The 2026–2027 High School Civic Engagement Initiative connects schools, community organizations, election officials, institutions of higher education, and community leaders in support of civic education and nonpartisan civic engagement opportunities for eligible students throughout Orleans Parish.

Our Shared Commitment

- ☐ Encouraging informed civic participation.
- ☐ Supporting high-quality civic education.
- ☐ Promoting student leadership and community involvement.
- ☐ Respecting the educational mission and policies of participating schools.
- ☐ Conducting Initiative activities in a professional, respectful, and nonpartisan manner.
- ☐ Building lasting partnerships that strengthen our community.

This Commitment is based upon cooperation, mutual respect, shared responsibility, and a common vision—not upon hierarchy or control.

The Coalition's Commitment

- ☐ Convene and coordinate the High School Civic Engagement Initiative.
- ☐ Foster partnerships among schools, Community Partners, election officials, and other participating organizations.
- ☐ Provide planning resources, educational materials, and initiative updates.
- ☐ Coordinate the Annual Orientation and applicable training opportunities.
- ☐ Share official sources, current opportunity information, and initiative resources.
- ☐ Provide ongoing communication and support throughout the Initiative.
- ☐ Recognize the contributions of participating Community Partners.

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- ☐ Designate a Community Partner Lead to communicate with the Coalition and participating schools.

- ☐ Work collaboratively with school leadership to support approved Civic Learning Experiences.
- ☐ Participate in the Annual Orientation and other applicable training.
- ☐ Encourage volunteers to conduct themselves professionally while participating in school activities.
- ☐ Respect school policies, schedules, and instructional priorities.
- ☐ Support civic education and student engagement opportunities consistent with the goals of the Initiative.
- ☐ Conduct voter-registration activities in compliance with applicable Louisiana law and official guidance.

Nonpartisan Commitment

The High School Civic Engagement Initiative is a nonpartisan educational initiative. Initiative activities shall not be used to support or oppose a candidate or political party, advocate for or against a ballot proposition during school activities, distribute campaign materials during Initiative-sponsored events, or engage in political campaigning while participating in Initiative activities.

Nothing in this Commitment limits an organization's lawful activities outside the scope of this Initiative.



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Duration & Nature of Commitment

This Community Partnership Commitment applies to participation in the 2026–2027 High School Civic Engagement Initiative and remains in effect through completion of the Initiative unless either party provides written notice that it no longer wishes to participate.

This Commitment expresses a shared understanding and is not intended to create a legal partnership, contractual obligation, financial obligation, employment relationship, or agency relationship between the parties.

Signatures

Please complete the information below and retain a copy for your organization's records.

Community Partner Organization	
Authorized Representative	
Title	
Signature	
Date	
Community Partner Lead	
Telephone	
Email	
Lower 9th Ward Voter's Coalition Representative	
Title	
Signature	

Date	
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Submit completed form as directed by the Lower 9th Ward Voter's Coalition.