

We The People

“WE THE PEOPLE: THE CITIZEN AND THE CONSTITUTION ”

Program promotes civic competence and responsibility. The simulated congressional hearing makes teaching and learning exciting for both students and teachers. This program enjoys active support from state bar associations and foundations, and other educational, professional, business, and community organizations across the nation. Since the inception of the We the People program in 1987, more than 30 million students and 90,000 educators have participated in this course of study.



2017 We the People team earns National 3rd Place



2015 National 14th Place

“We the People was absolutely life changing for me, between spending countless hours with people I didn’t know before senior year to dance party breaks and winning the Unit award. My senior year I was changed from a young woman, who had no idea what she wanted to do with her life, to a young woman filled with the drive to serve her country and be an involved citizen through the concepts I learned and implemented in We the People.”

- KATHERINE DEWEESE ‘16



2015 Team meeting with U.S. Representative for Indiana’s 7th congressional district, André Carson, in D.C.

AP U.S. GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS: WE THE PEOPLE

AP U.S. Government & Politics/We the People is a college level course. Students study the U.S. government foundations and political theories with relationship to present day laws. Students in this class also will participate in the national We the People competition, which will require time outside of class for preparation and practice, making it co-curricular. The program enhances students understanding of the institutions of American constitutional democracy, while discovering the contemporary relevance of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Students will have opportunities to evaluate, take, and defend positions on relevant historical and contemporary issues. This course satisfies the Indiana U.S. government requirement.

Networking

We the people offers great opportunities for young adults to work with professionals in the fields of law, history, and political science. Students are mentored by successful and hardworking men and women throughout the season. Through the program students also make lifelong connections with fellow classmates and mentors.



2016 Unit 3 competition hearing in the State Competition at Union Station

"We the People was the highlight of my high school experience. My passion for politics grew from a surface level understanding of ideological policy to an expansive understanding of the Constitutional implications of political philosophy, case law, and current events. I was challenged to become a better writer, speak in a more articulate manner, and provide solid evidence for my opinions."

- STEPHEN VUKOVITS '17



2016 Unit 1 competition hearing in the State Competition at Union Station



2016 Unit 6 competition hearing at the Top 10 at nationals in the Senate Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Room

Program Accomplishments

2011 – 2012

- Congressional District 7 Competition Winner
Unit 1,2,5 Winner
- Indiana 5th Place 2011

2012 – 2013

- Congressional District 7 Competition Winner
Unit 1,3,4,5,6 Winner
- Indiana State Champions 2012
- 2013 Nationals 5th Place

2013-2014

- Congressional District 7 Competition Winner
- Indiana 4th Place 2013
- Indiana State Unit 3 Champions

2014 – 2015

- Congressional District 7 Competition Winner
Unit 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Winner
- Indiana State Champions 2014
- 2015 National 14th Place
- Central Regional State Award Winner

2015 – 2016

- Central Region Competition Third Place
Unit 5 Winner
- Indiana 4th Place 2015

2016 – 2017

- Central Region Competition Winner
Unit 1, 3, 5, 6 Winner
- Indiana State Champions 2016
Unit 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Winner
- 2017 National 3rd Place

2018 – 2019

- Central Region Competition 3rd Place
Unit 1 & 6 Winners
- Indiana State 2nd Place
Unit 6 Winner