

PEACE Pathway

Law & Social Justice Pathway





Pathway Electives



9th

Intro to Social Justice

The course explores fairness, inequality, and how people create positive change. Students develop communication, collaboration and critical-thinking skills.

10th

Foundations of Law

Students will explore questions about human nature, justice and fairness, crime and punishment, and people's role in democratic society.

11th

Law in Action

Students will gain a more advanced understanding of the justice system through real-world applications such as mock trials, case studies, and advocacy.

12th

Constitutional Law

The course explores the Bill of Rights and how it protects your freedoms—especially the rights that matter most to young people today.



STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS



Clubs & Activities



Law Club

Students learn courtroom skills and compete in mock trials while building confidence and teamwork.



Teen Court Program

Students serve as jurors on real teen cases, learning about justice while making a real impact.



Model United Nations

Students assume the roles of diplomats to debate and draft resolutions on global issues.



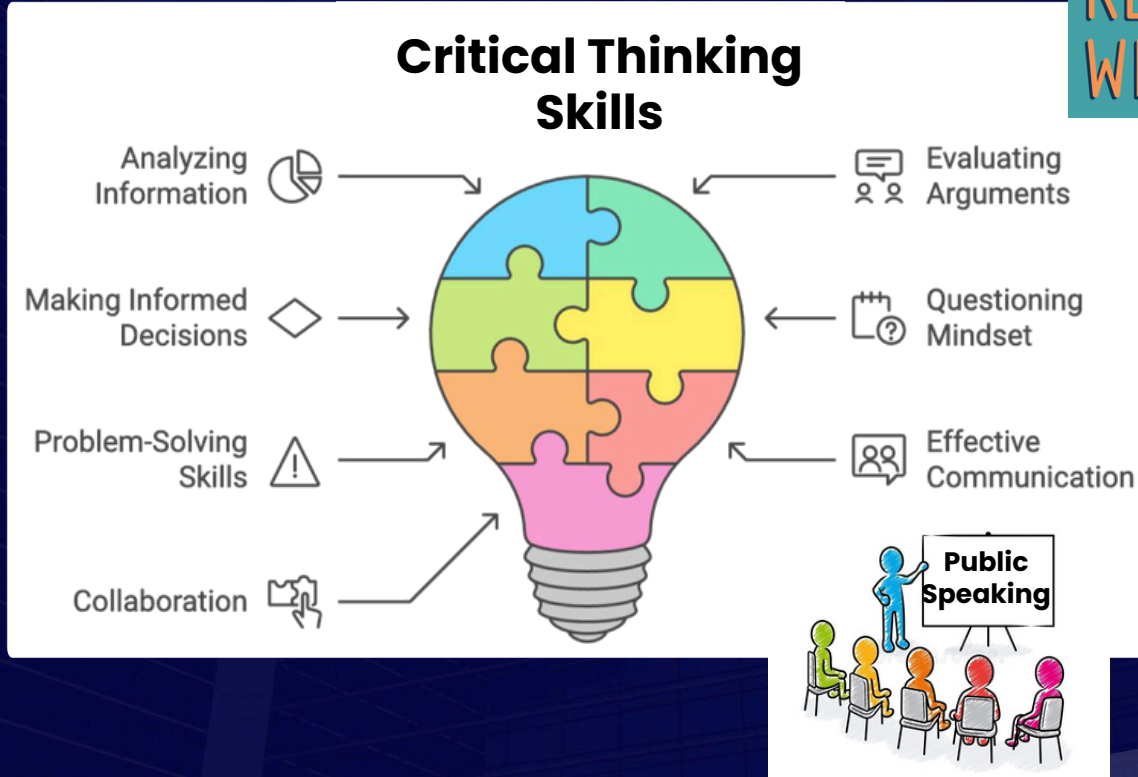
Learning for the Real World



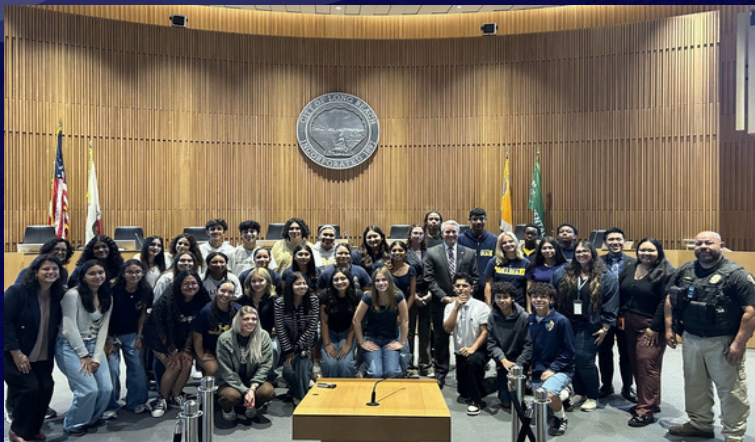
**Research &
Data Analysis**



**Working in
Diverse Teams**



9th Grade



Meeting City Prosecutors at Long Beach City Hall



9th Grade



Meeting the Judges & Attorneys in L.B. Homeless Court



Long Beach Homeless Court



Clear warrants and get help with misdemeanors or infractions



Expunge your criminal record



Parking citation forgiveness program



Meet with a case manager



Housing and shelter referrals



Job search & placement



586
participants
since 2021



9th Grade



Meeting the Long Beach Mayor & Leading a Mock City Council Meeting



10th Grade

Investigating Ocean Pollution at Algalita Marine Research Center



Organizing a Neighborhood Clean Up



10th Grade



**Mock Trial cases
in Millikan's own
Courtroom**

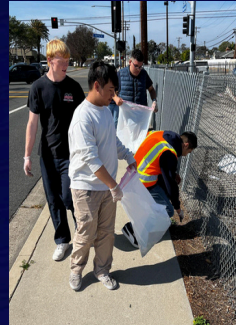




Topical Projects

- Incorporate learning from Pathway Electives and other subjects
- Learn about the role of law & government policy
- Participate in **Work-Based Learning** experiences with field trips, guest speakers, and hands-on activities
- Focus on **social justice issues** and **community activism**
 - 10th grade: Environmental Justice in Long Beach
 - 11th grade: Legal Advocacy for Marginalized Groups
 - 12th grade: Civic Action Capstone Project

Be the
CHANGE
You wish to
SEE IN THE
world



11th Grade



**UC Irvine
Law School**



**Loyola Law
School**



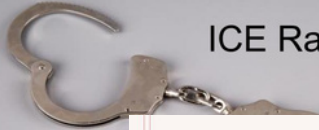
**Fowler Law School,
Chapman University**

Law School Field Trips

Students tour nearby law schools, sit in on actual classes, pick the brains of professors and legal pros, and get an inside look at what the world of law school is really like. It's your backstage pass to the legal world.

11th Grade

The Constitutionality of the Legalization of marijuana: The Battle of the Tenth and States Rights



ICE Raids

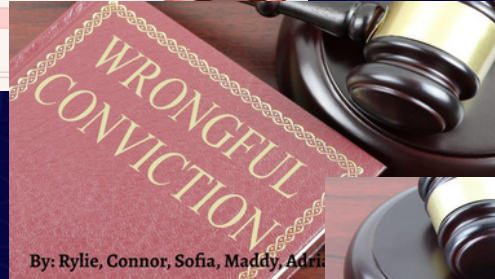
Abortion

How should it be regulated?

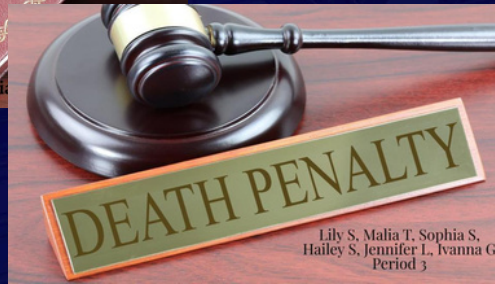


By Audreli Gallegos

Research on legal topics created and presented by students.



By: Rylie, Connor, Sofia, Maddy, Adri



Lily S, Malia T, Sophia S,
Hailey S, Jennifer L, Ivanna G
Period 3

Constitutional Law

Juniors get hands-on with the Constitution, learn exactly what their rights are, and see how law and social justice collide in today's world. They become argument pros, using evidence and the Constitution to back up their claims like real legal thinkers.

STUDENT PROFILE: Madison Dodd



Madison is a teen activist committed to protecting students from ICE raids at school campuses

- Interned at Californians for Justice (statewide grassroots organization working for racial justice)
- Traveled to Sacramento to lobby state legislature
- Provided public comment at LBUSD Board meetings
- Plans to pursue a career in law



STUDENT PROFILE: Briann Diaz



**Briann is a Girl Scout Ambassador
and a student-athlete**

- She was inspired by meeting Malala Yousafzai and hearing her speech about staying true to yourself and fighting for what matters
- She has earned many honors as a Girl Scout, including top cookie seller and delegate at the National Council



Cookie Tip Time!

**Meet
Briann D.**

"I have learned the art of "making the sell" in English and in Spanish. I've learned to speak clearly, speak up, and that I'm not just selling a cookie, I'm selling my cause."



12th Grade

Ronald Reagan Library—students explored government decision-making, diplomacy, and historical leadership through the White House Emergency Simulation, where they collaborated as cabinet members and advisors responding to a national crisis.

- *Civic Literacy*
- *Problem Solving*
- *Leadership & Collaboration*
- *Ethical Reasoning*



***Turning
Knowledge
into Action***

StoryCorps Oral History Project

Students interview community members who have shaped their understanding of leadership, service, or justice. Students recorded, edited, and archived their

interviews for posterity, learning how to preserve lived experiences and honor personal narratives through storytelling.

- Empathy & Active Listening
- Storytelling & Media Literacy
- Historical & Civic Awareness



PEACE Senior **Sophie Banda's** interview with her uncle **Colonel James Ruffer** captured intergenerational wisdom about civic duty and public service.

Social Advocate Media Campaign

Students use design thinking and critical media literacy to design and launch an awareness campaign. They analyze existing media, identify a gap in representation, and create original content to inspire awareness and action.

- Media Literacy & Rhetorical Analysis
- Collaboration & Project Management
- Community Engagement

THE FACTS ABOUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Spot, Report, Protect, Stop Human Trafficking!

Human trafficking is a crime involving the exploitation of someone for sex or labor, using force, fraud, or coercion.

Claim: Everyone should know the hand/distress signals, & resources used to protect & go against human trafficking

65% OF THE VICTIMS ARE FEMALE & MORE THAN 90% OF FEMALE EXPLOITATION IS SEXUAL

Imagine how it would feel for your mom, aunt, sister, or friends to be a statistic. Over a million people are trafficked worldwide every year, and a lot of the information we have is from those who have been identified, and there are so many more.

ABOUT 49.6 MILLION PEOPLE ARE BEING TRAFFICKED, AND MORE THAN 12% ARE CHILDREN

Counter Claim: Some people say that children are too young to learn about trafficking, but children make up a percentage of people trafficked.

12%

Male 25%

Female 75%

2024 US DATA

As of 2024, of the identified victims that were found 75% of them were female and 25% of them were male. And Over 40% involved minors.

PERCENTAGE

Percent Change in Social Media Recruitment

As of 2020, recruitment off Facebook increased by 125% and on Instagram by 95%.

How to help:

- Look for signals: physical or emotional abuse & distress hand signal
- Call 911, after verifying signs of abuse or hand signal
- Use the Human Trafficking Hotline +1(888)373-7888 or Text* 233733
- Spread awareness

DISTRESS HAND SIGNAL

This sign means to be spread, repeated or used, to help find people that need to be saved. It's simple and easy to look for.

HAND SOS

Forceful, Distress, Stop Touch

HELP SOLVE THIS ISSUE

In 10 years that enter shelters are lost pets that are never reunited with their owners.

- Shelter: Distress history of the animal
- Black dogs and cats are adopted at lower rates and are more likely to be euthanized.
- This is common called "Black Dog Syndrome."
- Shelter: ASPCA and various animal behavior studies

References: US Department of State, Office of the Inspector General, 2020, 12/14/2021
Wendy G. K. Human Trafficking: A Guide to the Literature, 2014, 12/14/2021

ADOPT DON'T SHOP!!

IT'S NOT THEIR FAULT

OPEN YOUR HOME TO A TODAY TOMORROW

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Turning Knowledge into Action

Machismo Culture

Therapy isn't weakness its wisdom

Machismo in Latin American cultures is a gender role given to men in the community that promotes toxic masculinity and misogynistic behavior

Young boys and men in these communities are expected to act very strong, masculine, and superior to their peers, especially women

According to a NIH study on the association of machismo and masculinism it was found that negative emotions are often associated with the gender roles displayed in machismo and masculinism. These negative emotions and feelings are listed as depressive symptoms, anxiety, anger, and cynical hostility. (Coulas, A. 2006)

People such as young men and boys need to be open about receiving help for themselves especially for mental health. Its always 100% okay to need and seek help, its very normal

RESOURCES:
Bridges and Crisis Helpline
800 or Text 988, Chat at 988helpline.org

California Youth Crisis Helpline (24/7 or Text 6606)
643-6240
Community Clinic at CSULB
Email: ead_soon@csulb.edu
Phone: 562-343-4500

La Raza Club



Guest speaker. Lawyer & USC graduate **Luis Chávez** inspires future leaders

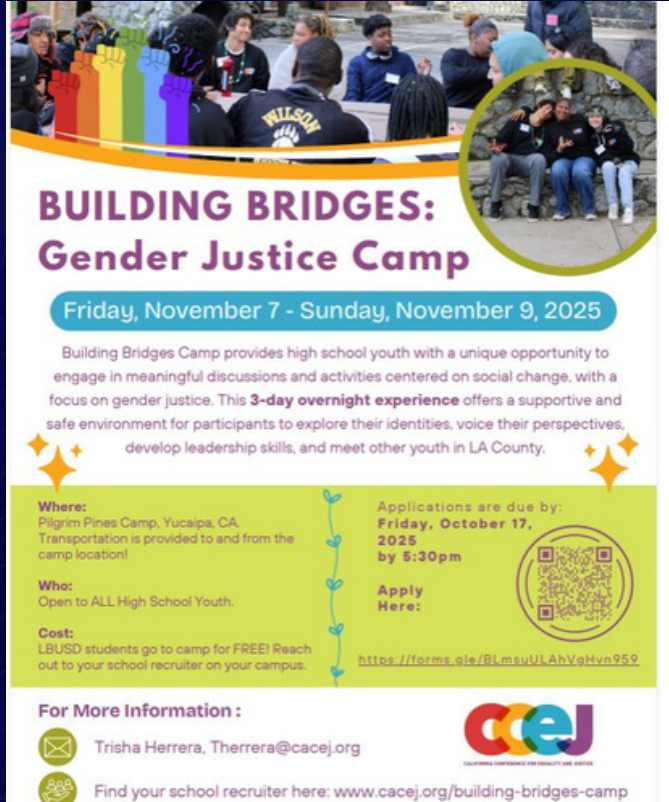


La Raza Club students prepared & distributed "red cards" to inform the community of their rights during potential ICE encounters.

La Raza honors and uplifts diverse Hispanic heritage, fostering cultural pride, and empowerment. The club builds community through cultural events, activism, and educational initiatives.



CCEJ Building Bridges Camp



**BUILDING BRIDGES:
Gender Justice Camp**

Friday, November 7 - Sunday, November 9, 2025

Building Bridges Camp provides high school youth with a unique opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions and activities centered on social change, with a focus on gender justice. This **3-day overnight experience** offers a supportive and safe environment for participants to explore their identities, voice their perspectives, develop leadership skills, and meet other youth in LA County.

Where:
Pilgrim Pines Camp, Yucaipa, CA.
Transportation is provided to and from the camp location!

Who:
Open to ALL High School Youth.

Cost:
LBUSD students go to camp for FREE! Reach out to your school recruiter on your campus.

Applications are due by:
Friday, October 17, 2025
by 5:30pm

Apply Here:
<https://forms.gle/BJmsvUIAhVgHvn959>



For More Information:

 Trisha Herrera, Therrera@cacej.org

 Find your school recruiter here: www.cacej.org/building-bridges-camp



11th & 12 grade students attended in Building Bridges Camp with other local schools

PEACE students learn
to **think globally**
and **act locally** to
advocate for
social justice in our
community



We're the change we've been waiting for!

