



**CIVICS IN  
ACTION**

**Student Sponsors**  
Educating for Democracy Act



# STAND UP FOR CIVICS

The events of the past year have made it abundantly clear that strengthening civic education and engagement – both in our schools and in our communities – must be one of the many steps we take towards bringing our country together to face the challenges that lay ahead.

The bipartisan **Educating for Democracy Act** is a federal bill that calls for an historic \$1 billion investment in civics by creating grants to states, non-profits, institutions of higher education, and civic education researchers to support and expand access to civics and history education.

To help support this legislation, we're recruiting **Student Sponsors** in all 50 states and 435 congressional districts around the country.

By signing-on as a sponsor, you'll be invited to take part in **3 virtual experiences**, culminating with meeting your US Representatives and Senators to advocate for their support of the bill.



## **Educating for American Democracy National Forum**

Tues., March 2 from 3-4:45pm ET

We'll join a nationwide and cross-ideological conversation about civic learning at a time when we need it the most.



## **YMCA National Advocacy Days**

March 16-18

We'll equip you with tools, strategies, and networks to advocate on issues like the Educating for Democracy Act.



## **Meet with Members of Congress & Staff**

Late March & Early April

We'll arrange meetings with your Members of Congress, when you'll ask them to sponsor/support the EFDA!

## **BECOME A STUDENT SPONSOR**

All middle school, high school, and college students are invited to sign-on as Student Sponsors using our online registration form:

[www.ymcayag.org/sponsor](http://www.ymcayag.org/sponsor)

Please complete the sponsor registration process by **Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**, so we can ensure you are connected to our national network of sponsors prior to each of the virtual experiences.

If you have any questions about becoming a Student Sponsor, each of the virtual experiences, or the Educating for Democracy Act, please email Derek Summerville at [derek@ymcayag.org](mailto:derek@ymcayag.org).