NYSED Seal of Readiness Program

Buffalo Public Schools 2021-2022 Recap



BPS Civic Readiness Pilot Program

2 Buffalo Public Schools are in the Pilot Program

- BPS #198 International Prep @Grover Cleveland HS
- BPS #304 Hutchinson Central Technical High School

Planning Began in April 2021

- 2 World Languages Teachers
- 3 Social Studies Teachers
- 2 Central Office Administators

BPS Created a combined Seal of Civics and Biliteracy Handbook for educators, students and parents to use.



Capstone Committee Created a timeline for teachers and students to follow during the Pilot Year

More Than 40 Students at BPS #198 International Prep at Grover Cleveland School completed the Civics Capstone Project

A Dozen Students at BPS #304 Hutchinson Central Technical High School completed the Civics Capstone Project



The BPS Plans to build on the success of our two pilot schools for the 2022-2023 School year.

The BPS Social Studies Dept. will work with our high schools and middle schools to help them apply for the Civic Readiness Seal for SY 22-23

The BPS has a Teacher Center Course that discusses the K-12 Civic Readiness program and how to help teachers in grades K-6 encourage civic participation in their classrooms



Next Steps...

Build capacity with our teachers and building level administrators.

Provide students with meaningful and worthwhile SERVICE LEARNING opportunities in the Buffalo/WNY community.

Partner with our non-profit and cultural institutions.

Provide advocacy and student voice opportunities with our elected officials.



Thank You!!

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