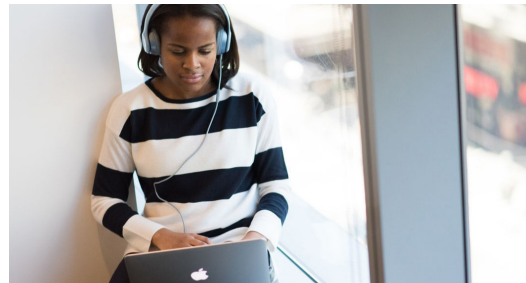
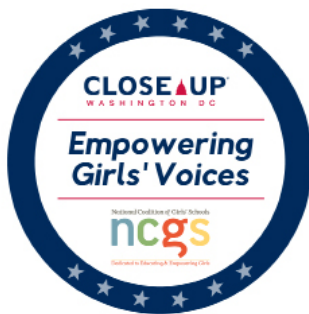


EMPOWERING GIRLS' VOICES: NCGS HIGH SCHOOL GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM OVERVIEW



Starting October 2021, Close Up and the National Coalition of Girls' Schools will offer series 1 of *Global Citizenship: Deliberating Systemic Issues*. This is a special opportunity to nominate a cohort of 10 students in grades 9-12 (ages 14-18) to represent your school in an examination of today's most pressing issues with students from across North America. Over 1,000 students from more than 65 girls' schools participated in *Empowering Girls' Voices* in its inaugural year of programming, and we hope you will too!

Through this series of six online sessions facilitated by Close Up instructors, students will examine major policy issues including Environmental Issues and Economic Issues; hear from an issue expert; evaluate proposals that represent a range of viewpoints; and consider how to best address those issues. After developing a better sense of their own values and priorities, students will participate in a training to develop facilitation skills to lead controversial issue discussions in their own school communities.

Session Dates and Times

Series 1: Deliberating Systemic Issues | Mondays & Wednesdays | October 25 – November 8, 2021 | 8:00-9:15pm (EDT) / 5:00-6:15pm (PDT)
On Monday, December 13, 2021, a final reflection and debrief will take place following student facilitated discussions at their schools.

Each school will be combined with other NCGS schools for their discussion sessions. If you are interested in customized dates, for a program that will include participants from your school only, please reach out to us at ncgs@closeup.org.

Eligibility and Cost

You may nominate ten students in grades 9-12 (ages 14-18) to represent your school.

- **10 Student Leaders:** \$2000 per NCGS member school
- **Individual Price:** \$250 per student

NCGS and Close Up are deeply committed to equity and inclusion. If you require financial assistance, please contact Close Up at ncgs@closeup.org.

Registration

To register, please visit our [website](#).

About Close Up

Established in 1971, [Close Up](#) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan civic education organization dedicated to helping students develop the knowledge and skills they need to become informed, active, and engaged citizens. Each year, Close Up helps thousands of students and teachers across the nation engage in civil discourse and take informed action in their communities.

About the National Coalition of Girls' Schools

[NCGS](#) is the leading advocate for girls' schools, connecting and collaborating globally with individuals, schools, and organizations dedicated to educating and empowering girls. NCGS serves over 270 PK-12 girls' schools (independent, public, charter, religiously affiliated, and boarding/day) around the world by providing networking, research, professional development, and advocacy programs focused on girls' learning and healthy development. Our growing global network includes more than 24,000 educators, 120,000 students, and nearly one million alumnae.