The Justice Resource Center (JRC) is New York City’s leading provider of law-related and civic education programs that are geared to a diverse school-age population.

Our dynamic, student centered law-related and civic education programs cultivate future leaders as students learn about the functions of government, their roles and responsibilities as citizens and develop a heightened respect for the law.

Our comprehensive programs include curricula aligned to the Common Core, competitions, teacher professional development workshops, student performance-based assessments and legal community support.

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HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS
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LAW ACADEMY

JRC provides start-up law academies with law-related education instructional components, services and student activities. The instructional program services include curriculum, course sequences, professional development and technical support at the school site. Included in a law academy is the opportunity to participate in law-related performance-based activities such as Mock Court, Mock Congressional simulations, and numerous opportunities for interaction with the legal community. Each new law academy is partnered with a MENTOR law firm that hosts students at the work site; serve as guest speakers and shepherd students to meet a federal judge in the courts. Through JRC services, students are exposed to careers in law-related professions, post-secondary education and work-based learning opportunities, such as the annual Youth Law Conference. Interdisciplinary law-related courses are available.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY

The Law Enforcement Academy (LEA) prepares students for careers in a variety of law enforcement fields. JRC provides interdisciplinary curriculum, as well as guest speakers, law enforcement career days and a culminating citywide student conference. LEA students are afforded the opportunity to participate in law enforcement fairs on a college campus, field visits to law enforcement sites, opportunities for ongoing postsecondary work and work-based learning internships.

CYBER SECURITY AND COMPUTER FORENSICS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Cyber Security and Computer Forensics are innovative models of law and technology. Age-appropriate curriculum is provided, including interdisciplinary and ELL materials. Computer Forensics and Cyber Security involve computers as crime scenes as well as other forms of digital data that students learn to solve. Students enjoy computer forensic competitions, field visits to crime investigation computer labs, and the use of innovative forensics technologies. Students have access to hands on tools to solve digital crimes.

FIRST RESPONDERS PROGRAM

JRC provides professional development, technical assistance, and student activities to develop a First Responders (Emergency Dispatch Technician) CTE program. JRC also supports work-based learning opportunities for students in related industries and post-secondary education.

WE THE PEOPLE: BILL OF RIGHTS AND THE CONSTITUTION COMPETITION

“We the People” is a comprehensive study of the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights. Students (mainstream and ELL) use an interactive text and accompanying lessons and internet resources to analyze a vast array of constitutional concepts. Students learn to apply constitutional principles to the major issues and problems throughout American history, from the Founding to the present day. The program culminates in a simulated congressional hearing which allows students to showcase their research and offer their own opinions on the meaning of the U.S. Constitution. A special ELL NYC competition is available on the local level. High scoring classes in the local WTP competition are eligible for the New York State competition.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES

JRC provides professional development for educators in the area of law-related education. The JRC will offer 4 sessions: Criminal Justice topics, Crime Scene Investigation, Forensic Science, and Criminology. Interdisciplinary law-related courses are available upon request.

PROJECT CITIZEN (PC)

Students identify a policy problem in their school or community, conduct research, design possible solutions and create an action plan for change. High school students present their research on a power point or boards to panels of judges as a culminating activity. PC manuals and a Professional Development session are offered as part of the program.

THE CONSTITUTION WORKS (TCW)

The Constitution Works challenges high school students to think critically and analytically about the central issues of law, democracy and government. Depending on the branch of government being studied, all students will have the opportunity to play the role of attorney or justice in a First Amendment Supreme Court case, a Senator applying the Fourteenth Amendment to debate a Bill, or a presidential advisor developing a proposal with constitutional implications. All role-plays take place at the United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York. TCW workbooks and a Professional Development session are offered as part of the program.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

Teachers and students are offered opportunities to travel abroad for JRC programs. This includes, but is not limited to, teacher civic institutes, students at an international moot court and teacher exchanges.

* Please refer to price list for these programs.
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PRICE LIST:

The Constitution Works (TCW) $600.00
Project Citizen (PC) $700.00
Mock Trial Competition $750.00
Professional Development Series $1,500.00
We The People: Bill of Rights and the Constitution
NYC Competition $1,000.00
NYS Competition $3,000.00
Law Academy $5,000.00
Law Enforcement Academy $5,000.00
First Responders Program $7,000.00
Cyber Security & Computer Forensics $6,500.00

International Opportunities Please check our website: www.jrcnyc.org