


"Civics 101" - Cycle 49 - Fall 2021 - Session #5 - 11/22/21

Music - "Higher Power" by Coldplay, suggested by Jhordan.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3lfnR7OhZY8>



A special gift inside from the kids of St. Jude.

On behalf of the children of St. Jude... Thank You!

YES, I want to help St. Jude save children's lives.
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Mr. Tom Tresser
Chicago, IL 60614-9030

Cindy Leukemia

Dear Mr. Tresser,
I am asking for your help on behalf of the innocent little children treated by St. Jude Children's Research Hospital -- like Cindy.
Thousands of children are diagnosed with cancer and other deadly diseases each year. And St. Jude relies on funding from people like you to continue our lifesaving mission.
Families never receive a bill from St. Jude for anything -- not for treatment, travel, housing or food -- because we believe all a family should worry about is helping their child live. Please help us, Mr. Tresser -- while you're thinking about it -- by sending a contribution to St. Jude.
Please accept these personalized gifts made especially for you. We hope you think of our precious girls and boys when you use them. God bless your good heart.
For the children,
Mario Thomas

P.S. Thank you for your support!

5-Year Cancer Survival Rates*
Thanks in part to the work at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Cancer Type	1982	TODAY
MEDULLOBLASTOMA**	10%	85%
RETINOBLASTOMA	75%	95%
NEUROBLASTOMA	10%	75%
HODGKIN LYMPHOMA	50%	95%
ACUTE LYMPHOBLASTIC LEUKEMIA**	4%	94%
OSTEOSARCOMA	20%	70%

*Percentages reflect cancer survival of the year or greater based on national averages
**Reflects survival rate at St. Jude, standard risk and high risk, the highest among national cooperative groups for medulloblastoma
***Reflects survival rate at St. Jude, the highest worldwide for ALL

Recognize the warning signs of childhood cancer
How does a person distinguish between a relatively minor illness and a serious illness such as cancer? If a child has any of the following symptoms that are persistent, seek medical attention. Of course, these symptoms can occur for reasons other than serious illness. Do not hesitate to seek a second opinion if a doctor is not able to determine the cause.

- Fever
- Fatigue and paleness
- Swelling or lumps anywhere on the body
- Nausea or loss of appetite
- Inseomnia or sleeping too much
- Change in disposition, e.g. whining or crying spells, unusual irritability
- Regression of toilet habits
- Stumbling or falling
- Double vision or other eye problems
- Easy and frequent bruising
- Nosebleeds or bleeding from any part of the body

Since children may not be able to properly acknowledge symptoms of illness, parents and/or caretakers should ensure their children get regular medical checkups and remain alert to any signs of serious illness their children may be exhibiting.

NO FAMILY WILL EVER RECEIVE A BILL FROM ST. JUDE FOR ANYTHING -- not for treatment, travel, housing or food -- because all a family should worry about is **HELPING THEIR CHILD LIVE.**

ST. JUDE FREELY SHARES THE DISCOVERIES it makes, and **EVERY CHILD SAVED AT ST. JUDE** means doctors and scientists **WORLDWIDE** can use that knowledge to **SAVE THOUSANDS MORE CHILDREN.**

The mission of **ST. JUDE GLOBAL** is to improve the survival rates of children with cancer and other catastrophic diseases worldwide through the **SHARING OF KNOWLEDGE, TECHNOLOGY AND ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS.**

Treatments invented at St. Jude have **HELPED PUSH THE OVERALL CHILDHOOD CANCER SURVIVAL RATE FROM 20 PERCENT TO MORE THAN 80 PERCENT** since it opened more than 50 years ago. **AND WE WON'T STOP UNTIL NO CHILD DIES FROM CANCER.**

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- Leandro Brahimaj: There's a Printing Company that St. Jude's has hired to send these mailings in hundreds of thousands to all of the people/addresses in their databases. I worked there for a few months. It's big business. I remember working that name many, many nights, ha.

Comments from Intern presentations

- Nisaini Rexach: Well done Gabriela - really found it useful to have the members you identified on the board. Very strategic.
- Nisaini Rexach: That was very clever, Emmanuel! Loved your thinking on selecting someone in that given industry to serve on your board of directors.
- Leandro Brahimaj: Nice, Yed. Love Jack and McKenzie as well. They're huge donors to the cause.
- Miriam Gordillo Chavez: Great Job Yed!
- Marcos A Bernal: Good job Yed!
- Gabriela Sanchez: very nice Yed!! I love the esthetic of your slides!
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: As usual Gabby your presentation was outstanding...Great job!
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: I feel your Presentation Yed.. From experience I've been homeless before so I really know how that feels.
- Gabriela Sanchez: Thank you Emmanuel, your presentation was exceptional!!
- Nisaini Rexach: Miriam - what a great cause to concentrate an organization around!

- Gabriela Sanchez : This is beautiful Miriam!! very inspiring!
- Nisaini Rexach: @Miriam, that's so incredible for you to extend an invite to join your board of directors!!!
- Leandro Brahimaj: Love that book by Sandra Cisneros. Thank you, Miriam.
- Marcos Bernal: I never knew this before. Thanks for sharing and well done!
- Emory Kimball: That was great Miriam!
- Yed Negussie: Nice Miriam, focused and clear Mission
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: Amazing Presentation Miriam... Love the passion and effort you invested into it all.
- Gabriela Sanchez: This is amazing Jhordan, Captivating as always!
- Tom Tresser: Look at <https://www.shareourstrength.org>
- Yed Negussie: Nice Job Jhordan, hunger is one of the most pressing global issues
- Marcos Bernal: Great topic to talk about. You mentioned how you want to impact this issue as grow older, and this is a nice start!
- Nisaini Rexach: I really enjoyed the organizational focus here, Jhordan. Well done!
- Leandro Brahimaj: Good job Jhordan!
- Miriam Gordillo Chavez: Awesome Jhordan! I would definitely consider volunteering in something like this!
- Jhordan Howard: Thank you everyone. You all's presentations were fantastic as well!
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: I'm a sucker for names Project Oasis sounds so real like it's out there already. Nice job Jhordan!
- Jhordan Howard: The historical context behind your project and the issue it's tackling are phenomenal, Ian.
- Gabriela Sanchez: Definitely, I can feel your passion Ian. Such a great speaker!
- Leandro Brahimaj: This started in the 50's; just past World War II. Banks were reluctant to loan to African Americans; Caucasians had no issues in doing so, even if they would not normally be approved via their financial record...
- Marcos Bernal: Great work Ian!
- Miriam Gordillo Chavez: Thank you Ian! Very informative.
- Yed Negussie: I definitely will be benefited from your organization.
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: You underscored a lot of details in your presentation Ian.Love it.
- Miriam Gordillo Chavez: Great initiative Marcos! I think it would definitely save lives.
- Jhordan Howard: You prioritize networking and building connections (esp. high level ones) when you picked your team. I like that.
- Gabriela Sanchez: Very clever logo Marcos!! Very creative and amazingly executed !!
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: Right on Marcos... Everything you do comes alive, from context to concept... Love it.
- Gabriela Sanchez: I have always admired how resourceful you are Leo! This slides are very pleasing to the eye. The clarity on the way you speak is very engaging.
- Yed Negussie: Well done Leo.
- Marcos Bernal: Great work Leo!!
- Miriam Gordillo Chavez: Great initiative Leandro, it would be my honor to be part of your board :)
- Emmanuel Nwaiwu: Good job well done Leo.. Love your board members.
- Jhordan Howard : Very resourceful Leo. And tapping into resources you already have is a nice touch as well.

Tom's Final Words of Counsel

- Build connections, networks, be a JOINER - we can do nothing by ourselves
- Be humble, be kind (listen, learn, lead)
- Pay it forward and backwards - become part of the i c stars alumni organization, be a mentor
- Build something, make something, be in action - Sometimes we make the path by walking it
- Start now