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## WHY DO CIVICS? - Fall 2023 - Cycle 1 www.tinyurl.com/C101-Why-Do-Civics [Please place names of people who are in each group]

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#### Group 1

Members = Cecelia Sarah Valeria Zoya

#### Importance:

- It's not just about the community you're in, its about being globally aware of what's going on
- Important to be aware because it can protect yourself and the lives of others as well as our rights
- If people aren't speaking up, people aren't aware of issues: things are swept under the rug and a burning issue can turn into a bigger fire and devastating smoke
- It gives minorities a place to inspire change in the community and other people who might be affected by the same things
- It's important because you need to understand the government and its structure because it can save you

#### Why Pursue Civics:

- Protect our rights and our liberties
- Raise awareness
- Understand your government and the structure of the government because it can save you
- Foster deep thought and build a sense of responsibility
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#### Group 2

Members = Mitchell, Brenda, Allen

- the study of the rights and duties of citizenship
- To always be mindful of what others are fighting for while we are on our journey
- <u>Remember the causes and affects of life on our way to a better future</u>

### Importance : to be aware of whats going on in our world and be able to

#### Group 3

Members Isaiah, Phillip

<u>Importance</u>: So we can be better members in our community. Encouraging active involvement in the community. Having a good understanding of how our goverment functions and how it effects the people around you.

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# <u>Group 4</u>

Members = Erin cobbins, Tajah Strickland, Donshay Somborn

- Community building
- Social responsibility
- Empowers others to advocate for themselves and others
- Understanding government functions
- Advocating
- To understand/ see other peoples views on the world
- Inform others of how to impact
- Cultural awareness shedding light
- empowerment