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Dear Parents, Guardians & Students:

Generic Central School District was honored to be accepted to participate in the *Seal of Civic Readiness* pilot giving our students the opportunity for a new graduation pathway or a distinguished seal for their diploma.

Civic readiness is the ability to make a positive difference in the public life of our communities through the combination of civic knowledge, skills and actions, mindsets, and experiences.

To earn the seal, students must accumulate a certain number of points, which can be gained through multiple methods. Instead of gaining credit only for classes taken and mastery of state exams, students will now be able to forge a new pathway to graduation by participating in other school and community opportunities such as community service projects, getting involved in local or county government, taking AP history classes, or completing Capstone projects on an issue they are passionate about, which will then be presented to the Generic Central School District Seal of Civic Readiness committee.

If you would like your child to be considered for receiving this additional seal on their diploma or to be considered for this pathway, please sign this and return to Mrs. Teacher by Friday, Month 1, 2023 in the main office. You and your child will be notified if approved based on the required criteria.

For additional information on this, please call _____ at _____ or email _____.

Parent/Guardian Print Name

Parent Guardian's Signature

Date _____

Student Print Name

Student's Signature

Date _____

RATIONALE FOR SEAL OF CIVIC READINESS

Empower Students • Empower and engage students by providing more opportunities for meaningful civic engagement • Create opportunity to discuss how they can be civically engaged • Earn credit toward a diploma for evidence of civic readiness • Improve Society • Strengthen our representative democracy by encouraging lifelong civic participation • Incentivize Schools

