

Is their potential of the Dream Act becoming a law?

LINK TO CHANGE.ORG PETITION:

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EMAIL TO/FROM DECISION MAKER:

Dream Act Supporter



Kimberly Cayamcela kcayamcela@scienceleadership.org

9:52 PM (10 hours ago) 🥋

to Icortes -

Hello Mr. Cortes!

I am Kimberly Cayamcela and am a senior this year from Science Leadership Academy. As a benchmark for history class, I have been assigned to lobby an issue in today's society and attempt to make a difference. My partner in this project is Michelle Torelli and is also a senior and attends the same school as me. Our personal experiences have made us be strong supporters of the Dream Act and so we chose the topic of immigration for our project.

We did some research and have seen that you are President of Esperanza. It's awesome to know that there are people like you who dedicate their time and effort in strengthening the Hispanic community. My partner and I would like to know if there are more ways in which we can help advocate the Dream Act and perhaps help in the process of making it a law. Please let us know promptly. Thank you for your time.

-Kimberly C.

PUBLIC LINK TO VIDEO:

http://dl.dropbox.com/u/2243213/dreamact%20commercial.m4v

HERMAN'S Q1 BENCHMARK CONTRACT

HOW YOU PLAN TO WORK?

We plan to work efficiently by conducting research and document specific findings.

WHO YOU ARE WORKING WITH?

Kimberly Cayamcela Michelle Torelli

WHAT IS "UMBRELLA" ISSUE YOU WILL CREATE A LOBBY FOR? Immigration

WHAT IS THE SPECIFIC SUB-ISSUE YOU WILL FOCUS ON?

The United States of America is built on immigration. There are many sections within Immigration but the most crucial aspect throughout this country is education. Children who have migrated to this country shall be given a right to learn, as does everyone else in the world.

We will focus on the Dream Act and the need for this specific act to be passed not only for the children who deserve the chance, but for our country to become more successful. This act is very important to my partner and I because we are children of immigrant Latino parent(s). We understand how important education is and that everyone has their own story of getting to America, and why.

WHERE YOU WILL LOBBY?

This is a Federal issue.

WHICH ORGANIZATIONS YOU WORK WITH?

A local organization that we can work with is HIAS & Council Migration Services as they are part of the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA). HIAS was originally a Hebrew foundation, but they "work to create a welcoming and secure environment for all immigrants and their families in our state". http://hiaspa.org/

WHO "REPRESENTS" YOU?

Luis Cortés, Jr is the president of Esperanza for over 5 years. Esperanza "is one of the largest Hispanic Faith-Based Evangelical networks in the United States". Esperanza also provides services specifically to the Hispanic community. http://www.esperanza.us/site/c.inKOIPNhEiG/b.5510043/k.BD5A/Home.htm

HOW WILL YOU PRESENT YOUR WORK?

A lovely video.

WEEK 2 & 3: GET HISTORICAL (Oct 22-Nov 2nd)

G-DOC UPDATE DUE BY END OF CLASS ON FRI, Nov 2nd

FOCUSED RESEARCH (DEVELOP A HISTORICAL TIMELINE)

YOU MUST INCLUDE:

STATEMENT: Turn DREAM ACT into a law, no matter amount of time lived in the US all 16 year old or younger are eligible to apply.

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YOUR RESOURCES SHOULD HELP ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

(if they don't you need to find new ones)

1. Why should we care about this issue?

(convince us that this is a critical issue to spend time/money on)

People should care about this issue because education in this country should be stressed. No matter what ethnicity you are, you should have the right to an education. Broadening education horizons in this country would benefit America. There are students who excel and those who do not but are still granted the right to an education in this country. It is unfair for those illegal aliens who excel in their academics but have to stop once they graduate from high school and cannot pursue a degree.

2. Why did other groups/individuals start caring about this issue?

Latinos especially started to care about this issue because a demand of high school students who realized that they could not continue their studies because of not obtaining a citizenship.

3. Are there any high-profile individuals in support of your issue?

(who are they, which groups do they represent, why are they involved?)

- -Jorge Ramos is a news reporter from Univision and an education advocate who supports the Dream Act.
- -NACAC, National Association for College Admissions Counseling supports the DREAM Act as a college access initiative, and has been working on its passage since 2001

4. How far back can you trace this particular movement for change?

(try and define the moments that gave birth to the modern movement)

Since 2001 ideas that have guided the Dream Act to be taken in consideration can be traced.

5. What major events have occurred in the life of your issue?

(include at least five definitive "flash points" in the history of your issue)

- -H.R.6327 Latest Title: Citizenship and Service Act of 2010
- -In September 2007, Durbin filed to place the DREAM Act as an amendment to the 2008 Department of Defense Authorization Bill (S. 2919).

- -on May 21, 2001, Gutiérrez's version of the bill was scrapped in favor of a more limited version entitled "Student Adjustment Act of 2001" H.R. 1918
- -On August 1, 2001 a mirror bill to the "Student Adjustment Act of 2001" was introduced in the Senate by Republican Congressman Orrin Hatch.
- -In September 2007, Durbin filed to place the DREAM Act as an amendment to the 2008 Department of Defense Authorization Bill (S. 2919).

6. What are the other perspectives regarding your issue?

(know your opponents "facts/figures" to ensure you can defend your side)

-Other perspectives regarding our issue are the fact that some people do not know exactly what the Dream Act is. Others may not believe immigrants should be granted an education Other perspectives of not wanting the Dream Act is because others may think that it is just a "sympathy for amnesty". People may believe that the Dream Act will trigger parents to bring their kids at a young age for an education. But to approach these statements we would argue that education is the foundation of a better country and if illegal immigrants are here would we rather them a good education to stimulate the economy or allow them to have underpaid jobs without taxes?

7. What Laws/Supreme Court decisions have been passed regarding your issue? (become VERY familiar with them- for ex. Roe v Wade made Abortion legal)

There have been no laws/supreme court decisions that have been passed. President Obama has issued executive order of the Dream Act.

8. What impact have these legal developments had on your issue?

(be specific about the social, economic and political impacts)

The Dream Act has been only an executive order at this moment in time, but it has- in the past-affect the social impacts. Such impacts are that some people of society are against the Dream Act and consider it unfair towards legal and citizen who have become rightful citizens.

9. What specific communities/groups have been affected by this issue? (regional, ethnic, socio-economic- for ex. Arizona SB1070 law affects Latino community)

Mainly the Latino communities have been affected by this issue.

10. What do you want your Representative to actually do or change?

(You need to pitch something specific- for ex. outlaw smoking in restaurants)

W-e want our representative to get supporters to sign our petition for the Dream Act to go through Congress and help tweak the aspect of the Dream Act that any child 16 or younger (no matter how long they were in the US) can apply.

WEEK 4: CREATE & PROMOTE PETITION (Nov 5-9th)

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PETITION CREATION

- 1. Join change.org
- 2. Investigate successful petitions on their site to get sense of the process

(ex. Bank of America: No \$5 Debit Card Fees)

- 3. Connect with existing Petitions similar to your own issue
- 4. Start a Petition (3 Easy Steps)

(Follow the TIPS AND GUIDES resource)

- 5. Mobilize Support (promote your petition)
- 6. Post link to your petition on G-Doc

WEEK 5: CONTACT DECISION MAKER (Nov13-16th)

G-DOC UPDATE DUE BY END OF CLASS ON FRI. NOV 16th

WIN CHANGE

- **1. Petition Week** (Dry-Run in Class Presentations)
- 2. Declare how you will contact Your Rep
- 3. Contact Representative (with fully researched and developed petition)

(provide evidence that you contacted Representative)

FINAL PROJECT DUE ON COURSE BLOG: End of Class on Fri, Nov 16th