



School Participatory Budgeting in Arizona

School Participatory Budgeting (SPB) is an innovative civic learning process that engages and empowers students to contribute to their communities and civic life.

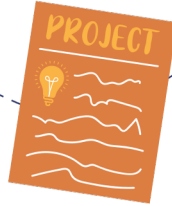
Design the
PROCESS



Brainstorm
IDEAS



Develop
PROPOSALS



Cast a
VOTE



Fund Winning
PROJECTS



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“SPB changed my views; I saw that not only can I change my campus, but I can also change other students’ lives. It really made us feel like we are in charge of this, and we are very important people, and our voices are being heard.”

*–Tayiza, High School Student,
Phoenix Union High School District*

How it Works

Through SPB, students “learn democracy by doing.” You’ll get to share ideas, develop project proposals, campaign and deliberate with others, and vote on real projects that make your school better. CFA provides training and support to help schools run a year-long process, led by students working together with educators and the school community.

See SPB in Action

Check out our stakeholder videos to hear from students, teachers, and administrators directly!



Why it Matters

CFA wants every Arizona student to discover the power of their own voice and be equipped to make a difference in their school, community, and state.

SPB is designed to:

- Give students a real voice in school decisions.
- Help students build confidence through real projects.
- Build strong networks with peers and adults across their campus.
- Encourage students to identify issues they care about.
- Help students practice public speaking and presenting ideas.
- Build confidence by stepping into leadership roles early.

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“I think it’s a great way for students to feel more involved and students that vote, they get to feel included and a part of the campus they come to everyday.”

*–Sophia, Middle School Student,
Roosevelt School District*

Bring SPB to Your School!

Engage

Reach out to the CFA Civic Health team to receive resources and guidance for introducing SPB to your school leadership.



Present

Schedule a meeting with your principal to share why SPB would be a great fit for your school.



Prepare

Work with your school leaders to identify a budget and design your process.



Launch

Engage peers to launch SPB and empower student-led decision making to help make your school a better place.



Resources to support you each step of the way!

- Scan the QR code below

- Email template
- Slide deck
- Videos

- FAQs
- Readiness Assessment

- Online Resource Hub
- Templates
- Guides & Activities



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