WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN ENGAGED CITIZEN?

What are the different ways that each of us can make a difference in our communities?

The Citizenship Tour seeks to inspire students across the country to become more civically engaged, better informed citizens, and to highlight the importance of public service among SEA’s 20 U.S. member programs.

While we unfortunately cannot travel from New York City to Washington, DC for this summer’s 7th Citizenship Tour, we will instead connect virtually. A selection of civically minded and academically accomplished high school and college students from the SEA network will have the opportunity to speak with leaders in government, journalism, education, policy, and the nonprofit community, engage in meaningful conversation with their peers, and learn about ways to become more civically active in their home communities.
PAST TOUR SPEAKERS

Elena Kagan
Supreme Court Justice

Elijah Cummings
U.S. Congressman (MD)

John Lewis
U.S. Congressman (GA)

Kirsten Gillibrand
U.S. Senator (NY)

Heidi Heitkamp
U.S. Senator (ND)

Deval Patrick
Former MA Governor

Lester Holt
NBC Nightly News Anchor

David Brooks
New York Times Columnist

Jim Stavridis
Former Supreme Allied Commander of NATO

Richard Blumenthal
U.S. Senator (CT)

Sally Yates
Former Deputy Attorney General

Bob Erhlich
Former MD Governor

Tim Scott
U.S. Senator (SC)

Cory Booker
U.S. Senator (NJ)

Arne Duncan
Former Secretary of Education
INSPIRING YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Citizenship Tour is organized by the Squash and Education Alliance, the umbrella organization for 20 nonprofit organizations in the U.S. and five international affiliates. Organizations in the SEA network enroll more than 2,500 elementary, middle, and high school students year round, and provide intensive academic, squash, community service, college prep, and career readiness programming. 95% of high school graduates from SEA’s U.S. member programs matriculate to college. Students are currently enrolled at colleges and universities, including Amherst, UC Berkeley, Bowdoin, Cornell, Hamilton, Haverford, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Wesleyan, Williams, and Yale.