

## WHAT IS HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION (HRE)?

Human Rights Education is a lifelong process of teaching and learning that helps individuals develop the knowledge, skills, and values to fully exercise and protect the human rights of themselves and others; to fulfill their responsibilities in the context of internationally agreed upon human rights principles; and to achieve justice and peace in the world.



# HRE USA



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### JOIN HRE USA

Become a partner of HRE USA and sign up for our newsletter.

### TAKE ACTION

Find ways to get involved in the HRE movement in the USA.

### DONATE

Make a tax-deductible contribution to support this important work!

*“Every individual and every organ of society...shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms.”*

~ Preamble,  
Universal Declaration of Human Rights

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## Human Rights Educators USA

*A national network dedicated to building a culture of human rights.*

## WHO ARE WE?



HRE USA facilitates mutual collaboration and support to maximize partners' efforts to:

- Integrate HRE into formal and non-formal educational settings, such as schools, universities, and organizations working with youth
- Foster education that promotes respect for every child's dignity, provides opportunities for meaningful participation, and upholds freedom from discrimination and all forms of violence
- Advocate for the inclusion of HRE in national and state education policies, standards, curricula, and pedagogy
- Provide HRE resources and pre-service and in-service teacher training
- Contribute to global research and scholarship on HRE
- Empower educators and learners

## WHAT DO WE DO?

**THE MISSION** of HRE USA is to promote human dignity, justice, and peace by cultivating an expansive, vibrant base of support for Human Rights Education (HRE) in the United States.

Over 35 states already integrate aspects of human rights education in their academic standards. Many schools and teachers include it intrinsically in their policies and practices. The Network supports, enhances, and broadens these efforts in Pre-K to graduate-level formal and non-formal educational settings.

To fulfill its mission HRE USA is governed by a national Steering Committee. This committee of 17 educators makes consensus-based decisions regarding the network as a whole.

The network draws inspiration from the Declaration on Human Rights Education and Training, adopted by the UN General Assembly in December, 2011. The Declaration underscores the globally recognized importance of human rights in every person's education.

## HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?



Become part of the growing Human Rights Education movement in the USA:

- Participate in Working Groups tackling school policies, academic standards, after-school programs, and research and evaluation
- Teach human rights and take advantage of our comprehensive HRE Resource Center
- Highlight your projects or resources on the HRE USA website
- Find and network with HRE experts and advocates around the country
- Take action on urgent HRE-related issues
- Join one of HRE USA's organizing committees
- Attend one of HRE USA's partner events going on all over the nation

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OUR WORK

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