

Levin Center Legislative Oversight Program

In Partnership with YMCA Youth and Government

Who We Are:

The Levin Center is dedicated to the promotion of fact-based, comprehensive oversight by Congress & state legislatures, and civil dialogue on major issues of public policy. The Center encourages future and current leaders to embrace their role in the promotion of honest and open government, maintaining the public trust, and holding public and private institutions accountable.



Legislative Oversight Program:

We partner with YMCA Youth and Government programs across the nation. Each year, law students at Wayne Law and the Levin Center staff develop an oversight scenario. At state conferences, we meet with the oversight students to assist them in developing their oversight plan, give them access to the scenario material and help them develop questions for the upcoming hearings. We then hold two hearings where students call a panel of witnesses and question them to uncover the facts surrounding the scenario. At the end of the exercise the students use the information they have discovered to develop resolutions and/or recommendations.

Student Learning Outcomes:

- Application of real-world skills with authentic purpose.
- Global Success Skills such as:
 - Communication & collaboration
 - Critical thinking & problem solving
 - Research & information fluency
 - Creativity & innovation
- C3 Framework practice:
 - Developing questions and planning inquiries
 - Applying disciplinary concepts and tools
 - Evaluating sources and using evidence
 - Communicating conclusions and taking informed action
- Aligns with Social Studies Common Core Standards as well as state standards.



Highlights:

- We strive for authenticity and student interest in our scenarios.
- We are flexible and always willing to adapt our program to fit your needs.
- We provide our services free! We benefit by simply continuing the mission of the Levin Center.
- Your students will interact with staff from the Levin Center and students from Wayne Law School. Great networking if they are interested in pursuing a degree in law or political science!



Levin Center Announces 2022 Oversight Scenario

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25-year-old Morgan Smith spent 6 years behind bars. He sought mental health assistance and regularly received care during his incarceration. Once paroled, Smith was approved for Medicaid, but never became active in coverage. As a result, he was unable to secure a new prescription for medication. Smith was recently arrested for illegal possession of anti-anxiety agents and stimulant prescription drugs, and is facing new felony charges and a possible return to prison.

“To release someone from prison and to place all of these barriers between them and something as essential as health insurance is a profound government failure.” says a statewide advocacy group’s spokesperson. “I hope to be part of the discussion on how to better ensure those on parole have access to their basic needs.”

We also feature other scenarios that we have used in the past and can adapted for your program:

- School Resource Officers
- Labor Trafficking
- Oil Pipeline Spill

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