

MCDANIEL HIGH SCHOOL VEP EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The purpose of the Volunteer Event Program (VEP) is to support students in creating and facilitating monthly volunteer/civic engagement events for their school/community. Through VEP, students are provided the space and opportunity to explore their passions in their pursuit of a healthier world.

Program Goals

- 1 Each civic engagement event will deliberately connect to Passion Impact's vision and will be accompanied by students' reflections on their pursuits of achieving a healthier world through each event.
- 2 To foster an environment in which PI students are able to grow into civic leaders in their communities & make a social impact in PI, their school, and their communities.
- 3 VEP students will increase their social justice knowledge, cultural empathy, and leadership confidence.

2021-2022 School Year Evaluation Data Spotlight



100% of Members **felt a sense of belonging** while participating in VEP



87.5% of Members **gained confidence** in knowing and conversing about social justice topics



100% of Members **felt they were able to create spaces of belonging** for students of differing identities because of their experience with VEP

2021-2022 School Year Evaluation Student Quote Highlights

"VEP helped me **discover different passions** that I never thought I would've enjoyed. Through Passion Impact and VEP, I learned how to **work with others as a team** and help lead my community into doing impactful events."

"The highlight of VEP this year was **engaging with my fellow students and making new friends** to create volunteer events that impacted my school's community."

"The civic engagement events taught me so much about social justice and has made me **much more comfortable** talking about those things."

Students' Favorite Events This Year:

- **Painting Wishes**
 - Painting ornaments to donate to winter food drive baskets for community members.
- **April Showers Bring May Flowers**
 - Handmaking environmentally friendly wildflower seed balls to celebrate Earth Day.

