

NEEDHAM HIGH SCHOOL  
**CIVICS SHOWCASE**

*Students Advocate for Change*

**Program, June 11, 2022, 2 pm - 4 pm**  
 Welcome - Carol Patey, LWV Needham President  
 Opening Song - Members of the Needham High Chorus  
 Guest Speaker - Závon Billups, Exec. Dir. of the MA Black and Latino Legislative Caucus  
 Visit Student Advocacy Tables  
 Door Prizes for Students, starting at 3:45

Table	Issue Area	Description of Advocacy	Students
101A	Mental Health/ Substances	Rehab instead of prison for drug offenses.	Caroline Barker, Kate Roth
101B	Healthcare	Pricing of prescription drugs in America.	Saachi Singh, Megan Lennon
102A	Education	Prioritize students' mental health at school.	Thomas Langford, Jason Chiappinelli
102B	Public Safety	Police reform.	Andrew F. Barrett, Sebastian A. Missong
103A	Climate Change/ Environment	Improved conservation of energy and advocating for increased energy efficiency.	Sofia Pannozzo, Athena Tu
103B	Equity	Solutions for equal sports media coverage at NHS	Gabby Kim
104A	Climate Change/ Environment	Adding solar panels to schools in Needham.	Liam Sullivan
104B	Minimum Wage	Raising the minimum wage to improve quality of life.	Chris Scalia
105A	Healthcare	Free menstrual products in prisons, shelters, and schools.	Holyn Brodsky, Ava Sokolosky
105B	Climate Change/ Environment	Reducing plastic waste.	Brayden Pavlik, Owen Bienen
106A	Climate Change/ Environment	Pass the 100% Clean Energy Act to improve our economy and consumption in our community.	Andrea Doyle, Morgan Shia
106B	Immigration	Equality and protection for immigrants.	Avery Costello, Elena Tsitsas
201	Minimum Wage	Lowering minimum wage to \$11 for minors in Massachusetts.	James Nascimben, Emily Brugger, Maddie Ali
202	Climate Change/ Environment	Electrify the Commonwealth's vehicle fleet.	Kevin Cooper, Raymond Weng, Sebi Gallo
204	Reproductive Rights	Access to safe reproductive health services.	Liza Grossman, Olive Haller, Devyn Schwartz
205	Climate Change/ Environment	Massachusetts 100% renewable energy by 2035 bill, H.3288.	Caroline Pollan, Ariel Berk, Gina Wu
206	Gender Equity	More girls in STEM, STEM opportunities, remove stigma that certain subjects are not for girls.	Barbara Kotlan
207A	Reproductive Rights	Easier access to emergency contraception.	Santina Pascucci, Anastasia Vasiljuk
207B	Public Safety	Reduce domestic violence.	Michelle Virovtsev
301	Children and Families	An Act to Lift Children Out of Deep Poverty.	Sylvia Azer, Sarah Francis
302	Climate Change/ Environment	Promoting that all new construction should accommodate solar energy.	Brendan Mawhinney, Jackson Wantman, Jake Lefkowitz
303	Climate Change/ Environment	Solar panels.	Ava Lunder, Magnolia Keller-Deutsch
304	Guns	Reduce gun violence.	Abigail Lee, Jacqueline Schermerhorn, Marisa Maio

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305	Climate Change/ Environment	Composting at Needham High School.	Rena Hneidi, Leah Freedman
306	Education	An Act to make childcare and preschool more affordable for working families.	Chaewon Lee, Caroline Pinti, Esha Kelkar
401	Mental Health/ Substance Use	Substance use and addiction prevention curriculum in elementary and secondary schools.	Ashley Isenberg
402	Climate Change/ Environment	Make Massachusetts more sustainable.	Christine Mittaz, Adam Auger
403	Veterans Affairs	Better treatment for, and the prevention of, homeless veterans.	Ryan Clement Torrisi
404	Guns	Removing the ability for normal citizens to own guns to increase public safety and decrease violence.	Connor Daly
405	LGBTQ+ Rights	Separate sex from gender on official documents (ex. drivers license).	Tova Hayete
406	Legal gambling	Sports betting.	Ben Resnick, Caroline Hood
407A	Reproductive Rights	Easier accessibility to emergency contraception.	Kinga McPherson
407B	Mental Health/ Substances	People who suffer from drug addiction to be held in rehabilitation facilities rather than jail cells.	Roger Taub
501A	Children and Families	Ending child marriage.	Milana Brikman
501B	Education	Universal access to pre-kindergarten education.	Sophia Ashkenas, Brian Curry
502A	Reproductive Rights	Abortion rights.	Hope Galovski, Danielle Hood
502B	Climate Change/ Environment	Old growth forests.	Mika Zelikov
503A	Reproductive Rights	Abortion rights.	Brianna Tuchin, Sophia Ofer
503B	Veterans Affairs	Proper funding and usage of money as well as a more inclusive VA.	Lydia B. Pirner
504A	Election Reform	Needham should implement ranked choice voting in town elections.	Noah Dooley, Henry Dirks
505	Public Safety	Train safety- changing the MBTA to be safer for riders and Boston area residents.	Chris MacNeil
601	Education	Making childcare and preschool more affordable for working families.	Milena Rijnbout, Patricia Soldato, Leyna Blume, Sydney Baker
602	Mental Health/ Substance Use	Proper substance misuse education in schools to prevent lifelong misuse.	Madison Boudreau, Jiwon Lee Monica Iriti, Miles Leitner
603A	Climate Change/Environment	Reducing energy consumption through use of solar panels.	Shannon Dooher, Julia McNaughton
701	Mental Health/ Substances	Eating disorders.	Amelia Bycoff, Alex Bold, Talia Shneyder, Emma Cheng, Annabelle Miller
702	Animal Rights	Against animal cruelty.	Kai Barnes, Alex Effenson, Cole J Winicki, Sinead Olson
			Natalia Lubie

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