### Step C. Letter

#### Background

What is participation in government? One example can be to propose a bill in hopes it becomes law. A legislator can introduce a bill to a legislative body on your behalf. Laws aim to correct societal wrongs, create/foster stability, and to protect/enhance rights of citizens. Therefore, select a topic of your concern or interest.

Use research from Step A and B as well as at least 1 other source. A works cited page must be included. See below. The letter will be directly mailed to the appropriate individual that you decide in-order to affect the change desired. You have the option to send as many letters to legislators or private individuals as possible.

#### Directions

a) **Task 1:** must address both essential questions of the project. **Task 2:** must address 1 compelling question. It can come from the generated list provided or original created and pre-approved question.

b) Use research collected from interview and own experiences to address the two tasks.

c) Must use at least 1 source for information/research used to address the two tasks. A Works Cited page will be required- MLA Format. It will handed in via Google Doc. See attached document.

d) The letter will be professionally structured and written. See attached documents. You will decide the best individual to receive letter in order to affect change. See attached documents.

e) The introduction has been prewritten and will be shared via Google Doc. Use font size 12, times new roman font style, double-spaced. Construct letter in Google Doc. You are responsible ONLY for printing out your letter, not sending it.

f) Must incorporate elements of Harvard University’s Youth Participatory Politics Research Network- 10 Questions for Change Makers. See attached document.

g) Will be graded using the writing rubric.

h) Thorough completion of letter and submitted on time, counts as 2 test grades.

#### Structure of Letter

**Body Paragraph 1: Context**

Share lessons, ideas, and conclusions YOU learned from Step A and B.

**Body Paragraph 2: Proposal, Rationale, and Persuasion**

Explain your law (ideas/solutions) to address Task 1 and 2. Use research from Step A and B as well as sourced information and ethical reasons for the law’s necessity. Explain how you will advocate for change towards the individuals from Step B.