PR Award #:

Organization Name: Equal Opportunity Schools

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**Title: Project Action For Equity in History and Civics (A4EHC)** 

**Project Description:** Equal Opportunity Schools requests funding for three years (2023-2026) to develop, implement, and scale an innovative, evidence-based culturally relevant teacher learning program for AP history and government instructors. Grant meets Absolute Priority by providing professional development in American history, civics and government that is equity-centered and targeted to low income students and students of color. EOS will partner with College Board, and Charlotte-Mecklenburg and Prince William County school districts, to implement the A4EHC professional learning program to a cohort of AP U.S. History and U.S. Government & Politics teachers, and expand across the EOS nation-wide school network in Year Three of the grant. This program will increase equitable enrollment in AP U.S. History and Government & Politics classes by training teachers to integrate conditions of belonging within their history and civics curriculum. A4EHC captures student and teacher efficacy data to measure impact, focusing on underserved populations. EOS has demonstrated success in prioritizing student belonging to drive student enrollment, engagement, and success. We aim to develop conditions of belonging within AP history and government classrooms that will result in enhanced student participation and civic readiness to support success in student's future college and career choices.

**Expected Outcome:** A4EHC's professional learning program will help teachers increase the equity, enrollment, and quality of their instruction and support the civic readiness of students. Emphasizing belonging within advanced coursework has the potential to close equity gaps in civics education and create long-term positive civic and democratic impacts.

**Grant Targets:** 25 teachers in Years 1 & 2, 100 teachers in Year 3; Estimated 40,000 students served per year, expected to grow in Year 3

**Project Partner Organizations:** College Board, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools, and Prince William County Public Schools