



## Press Release

### Reclaim Illinois seeks the assistance of our future

Reclaim Illinois, a grass roots non-partisan organization focused on returning honor, integrity and respect to Illinois government is seeking to partner with high school government classes around Illinois.

"The young people of Illinois are our future and their engagement in the effort to return honor, integrity and respect to Illinois government is a must! While learning about Illinois politicians, the culture of corruption and the traits that citizens must strive for to reclaim our state, students can make a valuable contribution toward a better Illinois right now through this research and education partnership!" said Patrick Beard, organization founder.

Reclaim Illinois welcomes the opportunity to work with high school classes to use the Reclaim Illinois Research Template (found at: [http://www.reclaimillinois.com/candidate\\_research.html](http://www.reclaimillinois.com/candidate_research.html)) to conduct research on candidates in the coming weeks to then be provided on [ReclaimIllinois.com](http://ReclaimIllinois.com) for the benefit of all Illinois citizens. As part of this effort we also encourage teachers to conduct student discussions, have students review and vote on candidates as well as comment on those candidates they find to be both good and bad for Illinois.

This effort will ultimately provide valuable experience for students as they draw nearer to one of the most valuable privileges we have as American citizens, the right to vote.

#### **Background:**

Reclaim believes that neither faith, party nor race should differ when it comes to the pursuit of critical traits such as Honor, Integrity, Honesty and Justice in our public servants. Informed citizens can unite around these traits for the removal of corruption and inept leadership in state government.

The strategy Reclaim Illinois is seeking to deploy to meet our goals is to engage and challenge citizens and businesses around Illinois to participate honorably in the democratic process. At the same time, we seek to provide citizens with easy access to the vital knowledge of candidates and issues required to act with wisdom.

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