

21st Century Instructional Initiative Grant Recipients 2019-2020

Why the First Amendment is First

Catonsville High School

Matt Ames, Principal
Melanie Coates, Grant Liaison
Civic Literacy
& Global Awareness

Journalism students gained more knowledge of their First Freedom rights and responsibilities as scholastic writers. They participated in a rich, immersive experience at the Newseum, studying the power of the First Amendment of the Constitution and its affect on and recording of U.S. history.

- Conducted authentic research related to First Amendment Freedoms
- Planned and composed an argument
- Determined intentional strategies for writing and research
- Reflected on growth as researchers, presenters, and self-directed learners

