

Early Phase Competition -- Absolute Priority 4 (SEL)  
Cleveland State University  
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**School-Based Youth Participatory Action Research**

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The title of the proposed project is “School-Based Youth Participatory Action Research” or “SchYPAR.” We propose to develop an evidence-based, field-initiated student-led action research innovation to improve academic, social, and civic competencies for high-needs students.

Over five project years, we will design and implement the innovation in 30 high schools in Ohio and rigorously evaluate the innovation using quasi-experimental, qualitative, and descriptive methods. The goal is to generate an evidence-based solution to problems of student underachievement and disengagement, particularly among high-needs students. The Center for Urban Education at Cleveland State University (CSU) will lead the proposed project in partnership with the American Institutes for Research (AIR), the Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio (ESCNEO), and the Educational Service Center of Central Ohio (ESCCO).