What Is Community Problem Solving? What Do You Need to Participate?

In CmPS, students apply their FPS skills to real problems in their community. A community problem is a problem that exists within the school, local community, region, state or nation. Implementation of an action plan is included in this component. Students move from hypothetical issues to real world, authentic concerns. The students whose projects are chosen as the best in Georgia are invited to the FPSP International Conference in June.

CmPS competitors are divided into three divisions:

Grades 4 - 6 (Junior) Grades 7 - 9 (Middle) Grades 10 - 12 (Senior)

Trained evaluators score student work and return it with feedback including suggestions for improvement. A Project Proposal is due the first of December. A Project Report, Portfolio, and Promotional Video are due in late March. The winners in each division advance to the FPSP International Conference in June, where a science-fair-like display and an interview with the evaluators are required.

Who Can Participate?

- A student or a group of students who have a desire to solve a problem in their community, *with*...
- A coach any adult who agrees to sponsor, oversee, and be the contact for the competitors. Virtual training for CmPS coaches is available. Contact argenhicks@gmail.com for more information.

Cost:

• See registration form

Materials can be ordered from FPSP International at <u>www.fpspi.org</u>.

Register with GA FPSP. Find the CmPS Registration Form at www.georgiafpsp.org.