



Introduction

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The Mission of The First Shot Projects

For students and educators to identify instances in society where people are suffering and or losing their lives and where elected and appointed officials seem to be incapable of mitigating the dying and or suffering. Educators will guide students in conducting research about the issues that are causing harm and about the victims who are being harmed. The student vetted research will be organized and featured in student created magazines, websites, Instagram Posts (Social Media Posts), videos, short movies, etc. The student created works will then be presented to elected and appointed officials, and to the community to initiate legislative/executive change and if necessary, a rethinking of societal norms.



Covid-19 from a Teen's Eye View

Putting Academics to
Work for Humanity

When: During The
Summer of Quarantine

Teaching our students how to weaponize academic knowledge and skills to impact our communities

- Students will use The First Shot Project's academic lens to conduct research about the Coronavirus Pandemic.
- The students will use their research to determine the following: the origins of the Coronavirus; the science behind the Coronavirus; the importance of time in the vaccine development process; and why are so many government agencies involved in the Coronavirus response.
- Students will be able to identify each Federal agency that is responsible for a part of The Coronavirus response and understand their place in the hierarchy of the Federal Government.
- Students will analyze the efficacy of the response of Federal leaders and begin a correspondence with them.
- The students will package their Coronavirus findings in a digital magazine and deliver it to elected and appointed officials, and to the community.

Project Structure

- Strong Teen leaders who were completing their third project using The First Shot Academic Lens.
- Preliminary research was conducted on past Pandemics beginning from the 1918 Flu Pandemic. The research was guided by prompts created in Google Forms.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdQnnWIZpRbM4Hc-o70WEFY3tRcv7I-Qw-IPiX-FBaxSwJDw/viewform?usp=sf_link
- The focal point of any of The First Shot Productions are the victims (LATS). The students were directed to conduct research on particular victims of Covid-19. The research is guided by prompts created in Google Forms.
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- The students then researched the Federal Medical leaders who were charged with leading America's Coronavirus Response (The President's Coronavirus Task Force). The objective of The Project was for the students to write heartfelt letters to these officials.
<https://classroom.google.com/c/NDM2NTczNDM3OTha/a/MTOxMzA2NDYwOTc4/detail>
- The students then delved into the scientific research of the Coronavirus. This effort needed to be focused and deliberate if students were going to benefit from the experience. [The symptoms of Covid-19 and what actually causes death](#); [Infectious Cycle-Isabella Villar](#)

Speakers at The First Shot Summer Institute

- Immigrant Rights Advocate, Teacher Daniel, presented on “The Impact of The Coronavirus on migrant communities.”
- Social Entrepreneur (18), Alex Sutton, presented on leadership, academic excellence, and the importance of exploiting all of the opportunities in front of you.
- Social and Emotional Learning Expert and Teacher, Olga Carballo, presented on, Maintaining Mental, Social and Physical Health in difficult times.
- Internet Commerce and Social Media Expert (Former Apple Executive), Ro Achon, presented on effective internet and social media marketing and internet commerce.



The Coronavirus Pandemics Magazine

- Once the research, letters, LATS and positions are completed then the editing process begins.
- At the conclusion of the editing process the students create a mock-up and then a digital template of the magazine (Envato Designs).
- The magazine layout and artistic design is then executed in Adobe Acrobat In-Design
- Once these steps have been completed the magazine is then digitized using the online program called Issuu.
- The magazine: https://issuu.com/angelinactm/docs/first_shot_pandemic_magazine

The Now and The Future

- First Shot will exclusively focus on The Victims of The Pulse Night-Club Mass Shooting for 2020 - 2021.
- Four District Schools are involved with The Project.
- We are currently recruiting more schools.
- Deliver The Magazine to The Pulse Foundation in The Spring of 2021.
- Take a trip to Tallahassee to deliver the student's positions to The Florida Legislature.

Website: www.dwtbfirstshot.org

Instagram Page: [firstshot_1](https://www.instagram.com/firstshot_1)

Link to Coronavirus Digital Magazine:

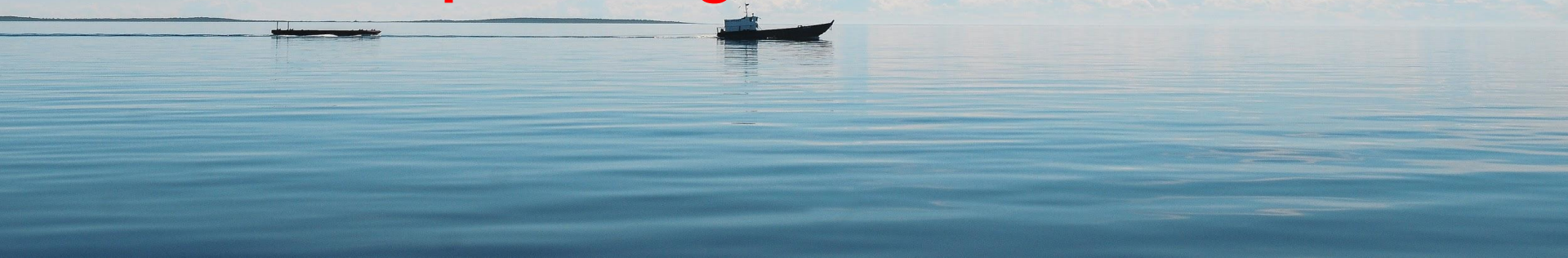
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Humanity's Finest Hour: "When we authentically teach our children to ALWAYS care about the wellbeing of the person right next to them."



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