

Research on Young Voters: Panelist Introductions

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Ken Stroupe is the chief of staff at the University of Virginia Center for Politics and the Director of the National Youth Leadership Initiative. Prior to joining the center staff in 1999, he served as vice president of government relations for a large public relations firm and served as press secretary and communications director for former Virginia governor, now U.S. Senator George Allen. His familiarity with youth civic engagement programs extends back to high school, where he was elected state president of the Virginia Student Council Association, the oldest and largest student leadership organization in the state. He holds a master's degree from the University of Virginia and a BA from Bridgewater College. His most recent research publication is *Political Participation: The Missing Link of Civic Education*.

Adam Anthony serves as project director for the Young Voters project at the Center for Democracy & Citizenship, which is part of the Council for Excellence in Government. The young voters project is a nonpartisan effort created to encourage candidates for political office to reach out and engage younger voters. He joined the council after working in corporate public relations and public affairs, managing communications campaigns in technology and international trade. He also served as a legislative aide to former U.S. Senator Charles Robb and worked as an advance person for several presidential campaigns, including the Clinton/Gore campaign in 1992. He has a BA from the College of William and Mary, and holds a MA from Johns Hopkins University.