

# YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT



The Colleton County Delegation posed for a picture on the State House steps on the last day before the Governor's Banquet.

Youth In Government (YIG) is a YMCA program in the United States that allows middle and high school students to participate in a model government at a local State House. This year 30 of our students went to YIG in Columbia, SC with schools from all over the state. Cameryn Coursen (III), Susanna Seigler (III), Anni Crook (I2) and Olivia Phillips (I2) participated in leadership positions. This program allows students to experience what it is like to work in the South Carolina Legislature. There, the Colleton County High School delegates present their bills to a committee, and if it is passed, they will present in a chamber. If the bill is passed through the chamber, it could possibly be signed by the YIG Governor.



Seniors Maria Manaeva and Shakayla Gill presented their bill to their committee to get it passed to chambers.



The Colleton County Delegation gathered at Carolina Ale House for dinner before "mandatory fun night."



Senior Mychael Aiken is speaking in affirmation of a bill called, "An Act to Change the State Drink from Milk to Sweet Tea," while in a committee.

1. A few of the delegates get a little dressy for the opening session at the Columbia fairgrounds. L to R: Kendall Bell, Cameryn Coursen, India Stokes, Shaleen Creel, Dakari Grant, Kasheyonna David, and Rylee Chandler.



2. Advisor Miss Thorne and Seniors Anni Crook, Taylor Virden, Campbell Crook, and Madison Lord took a picture for their last YIG trip on the state steps.

