Your Spot or Mine?: Affirmative Action in Education

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In this unit, high school students will focus on the guiding questions: What is affirmative action (definition), its history and evolution? How and why is affirmative action related to the concept of race? and How is affirmative action applicable to your own life? Following the Common Core Standards, students will read for meaning and interpret historical documents highlighting pivotal Supreme Court cases regarding affirmative action in education. This unit is collaborative in nature in that students in different schools will work together through the use of Google Docs and Blogs, to focus on developing their technological skills necessary for college or the work place. Additionally, they will participate in Socratic Seminars to critically read and prepare to actively participate in conversations to help them make meaning of the complex content.