Parlay

Parlay is an inclusive, student-driven platform that allows teachers to facilitate virtual roundtable discussions. The discussion can be facilitated in either verbal or written format.
Summary

Parlay is an instructional tool to make discussions more student-driven and inclusive. Discussions in the platform can be done live or asynchronously.

Students can utilize embedded conversation scaffolds to share ideas, build on peer submissions, and anonymously provide constructive feedback. Teachers can access the library of community-created, ready-made discussion prompts, edit those prompts, or create their own unique prompts. Teachers can use the roundtable discussion data to discuss with students their areas of success or growth needs.

Procedure

1. Navigate to Parlay.
2. Create an account.
3. Watch the instructional video that pops up on your screen.
4. Decide how you want your students to participate (in verbal or written format, and live or asynchronously).
5. To explore the library of community-created discussion prompts, select "Parlay Universe" underneath the triple bar.
6. To choose or modify a prompt to fit your needs, select "Use This Topic".
7. Create your round table by assigning the discussion prompt to a course.
8. As you facilitate discussions, encourage students to be intentional and substantive in their discussion contribution. Note that the platform will highlight the next student speaker, and that all audio and video assets are virtual.