



Connections Activity



Title/Skill:	Crazy Handshakes
Connection Goal:	Personalization: Icebreaker
Grade Level:	9-12
Time Needed:	15-20 minutes

Handouts/Materials Provided:

NONE REQUIRED

Summary of Activity for the Advisor:

1. Partner students up.
2. Instruct each partnership to develop a cool, secret handshake.
3. No split pairs up and assign new partners. Each new partner teaches each other their previously learned handshake, and then the new partnership develops their own handshake.
4. When each pair comes together, ask them to introduce themselves. Repeat a third time asking partners to share all of the handshakes previously learned and then recall the group into a circle.

Read/Review/Discuss/Do with students:

- Ask for volunteers to share all of the handshakes learned.
- Ask students to explain the meaning of their handshakes.