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Educational Resources from the National Constitution Center

The National Constitution Center is the first and only museum dedicated to the U.S. Constitution. Through interactive online tools, exhibits, rare artifacts, and live theater, the Center brings the Constitution to life for visitors of all ages. These free online resources support deep, engaging instruction in constitutional history—helping students explore the ideas, debates, and enduring principles that shape our nation:

- ***Interactive Constitution*:** Learn about the text, history, and meaning of the U.S. Constitution from leading scholars of diverse legal and philosophical perspectives.
- ***Founders' Library*:** A library of primary texts that span American history—from the philosophical works that influenced the Founding generation.
- ***Supreme Court Cases Library*:** Materials to support learning on the most influential Supreme Court cases in American history.
- **To be launched on Constitution Day, September 17, 2025*:***
    - An *Interactive Declaration of Independence* that includes the full text, annotated by legal scholar Akhil Reed Amar, along with an audio version and images.
    - *America at 250 Toolkit*, which will be an essential guide for learners of all ages to engage with the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and America's founding principles.

Free K-12 Classroom Resources

The National Constitution Center provides free K-12 curriculum, professional learning programs, and virtual student programs that make constitutional education engaging and relevant, including:

- *Constitution 101* curriculum, available for high school, with a middle school version launching in fall 2025
- Professional learning opportunities for educators focused on enhancing civic, history, and constitutional instruction, including monthly virtual sessions, Weekend Workshops, and weeklong summer institutes
- Digital primary sources, including our *Interactive Constitution,* lesson plans, videos, and interactives, and curated resource collections like *Constitution in the Headlines*, which help educators current contextualize constitutional topics
- Virtual student programs, including Scholar Exchanges and Civic Stories
- News and debate content, shared with educators through *America's Town Hall* programs, *We the People* podcasts, and *Constitution Daily* blog posts

Educators can explore all offerings and program applications at: constitutioncenter.org/education. The NCC Education team offers a weekly email featuring new programs, timely resources, and applications for educators that can be accessed here.

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Celebrating America at 250 with the National Constitution Center

As America prepares to mark the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence in July 2026, the National Constitution Center will invite learners of all ages to rediscover the founding ideas that continue to shape our nation today, by offering:

- A new *Interactive Declaration of Independence* that includes the full document annotated by legal scholar Akhil Reed Amar, as well as an audio version of the text;
- A new *America at 250 Toolkit,* with essays from leading scholars and interactive videos that allow for meaningful exploration of the founding documents;
- Convenings across America, modeled on our weekly *We the People* podcast and *America's Town Hall* programs; and
- Teacher-developed resources designed to help educators maximize student engagement, along with a free 250th-inspired Civic Calendar for classrooms (submit your request now to receive in September!)
- Memorable museum experiences, family-friendly events, interactive exhibits and daily programs, and much more.

Plan a 2025–2026 In Person or Virtual Field Trip to the National Constitution Center

In 2026, the National Constitution Center is preparing to unveil exciting new exhibits that bring our nation's founding documents and principles to life:

- **America's Founding Gallery** (Opening February 2026) – Featuring one of only 14 known original, official printed copies of the U.S. Constitution.
- **Separation of Powers Gallery** (Opening May 2026) – An engaging new space exploring how the Constitution defines roles and balances power.

These galleries will offer unique opportunities to enhance student learning through direct engagement with primary sources and historical artifacts. Whether you can visit Philadelphia or schedule a virtual trip, the Center offers meaningful ways to inspire your students and enrich your curriculum. We offer:

- In-person field trips: Tour the new galleries and participate in interactive exhibits.
- Virtual museum visits:
    - Book a virtual field trip led by a museum educator
    - Register your class for a Live From the Museum program

Schedule a virtual student program, such as Scholar Exchanges or Civic Stories