

Celebrate Freedom Week 2024: September 16-20

School and School System Resources

Louisiana Act 370 | Section 1. R.S. 17:2119 is enacted to read as follows:

Celebrate Freedom Week

Each September, in conjunction with Constitution Day and Constitution Week, each public school shall observe Celebrate Freedom Week. As part of this observance, the public school governing authority shall ensure that all students receive age and grade-appropriate instruction, in a social studies or other appropriate course, on topics related to freedom. Such topics may include but are not limited to instruction related to the nation's founding and the intent, meaning, and importance of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights.

Sample resources available from the National Constitution Center and the Library of Congress

Constitutional Convention and Civic Dialogue

- <u>Civic Dialogue</u> (classroom resources)
- <u>The Constitutional Convention</u> (classroom resources)

Overview of the U.S. Constitution

- Library of Congress: Constitution Day Resources
- The Constitution of the United States: En Espanol
- <u>The Constitution Annotated</u> (primary sources, articles, lesson plans)
- Constitution 101 Curriculum (HS lesson plans)
- The Declaration of Independence: Created Equal? (HS lesson plans)
- <u>The U.S. Constitution: Continuity and Change in the Governing of the United States</u> (HS lesson plans)
- <u>The Constitution: Counter Revolution or National Salvation?</u> (HS lesson plans)
- <u>George Washington: First in War, First in Peace, and First in the Hearts of His Countrymen</u> (HS lesson plans)
- <u>Article I.</u> Legislative Branch (classroom resources)
- <u>Article II.</u> Executive Branch (classroom resources)
- <u>Article III.</u> Judicial Branch (classroom resources)

Federalism and the Separation of Powers

- <u>Separation of Powers</u> (ELEM/MS/HS lesson plans)
- Federalism and Separation of Powers (classroom resources)

Bill of Rights and Amendments

- <u>Article V. Amendment Process</u> (classroom resources)
- <u>Bill of Rights (ELEM lesson plan)</u>
- <u>The Bill of Rights: Debating the Amendments</u> (HS lesson plans)
- First Amendment Overview (MS/HS lesson plans)

- Constitution Hall Pass: Bill of Rights (video)
- Freedom of Assembly and Petition (MS/HS lesson plans)
- Freedom of the Press (MS/HS lesson plans)
- Fourth Amendment (MS/HS lesson plans)
- <u>Eighth Amendment</u> (MS/HS lesson plans)
- <u>14th Amendment</u> (classroom resources)

Rule of Law and Civil Rights

- Rule of Law (9-12 lesson plan)
- Constitution Hall Pass: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: A Legacy of Service (video)
- Rosa Parks (primary sources and teacher's guide)
- <u>Women's Suffrage: Their Rights and Nothing Less</u> (primary sources and lesson plans)
- Jim Crow and Segregation (primary sources and lesson plans)

Symbols of the United States of America

• <u>Symbols of the United States</u> (primary sources and teacher's guide)