



## HOW TO PROMOTE "STAR SPANGLED KIDS"

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Star Spangled Kids: Educate youth on the history of the United States from the aspect of patriotism, Americanism, and the U.S. Constitution.

- In conjunction with local schools, create a Unit Citizenship Award for children and youth who have demonstrated the ideals of the U.S. Constitution.
- Team with the Education chairman to bring veterans or servicemembers into the classroom to talk about what their service means to defend the ideals of the Constitution.
- Share "Fascinating Facts about the U.S. Constitution" monthly in the department or unit bulletin, in tweets, or a newspaper editorial.
- List important constitutional dates in chronological order or by month.
- Encourage students to test their knowledge of the Constitution.
- Distribute patriotic coloring book pages for children in primary grades.
- Celebrate Constitution Day (also known as Citizenship Day) **on September 17**, the day set aside each year to commemorate the signing of the U.S. Constitution.
- Celebrate during September's Junior meeting with a cake or cupcakes.
- Let Juniors report on different sections of the Bill of Rights.
- Print and distribute pocket copies of the U.S. Constitution for school children and/or Juniors.
- Put on a skit or musical about the Constitution and the signers.
- Hold a scavenger hunt at the post where children find information relating to the Constitution.
- Have members dress up as signers of the Constitution and describe their character's role in the Constitution's writing and signing.
- Encourage high school-aged students to use their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution by participating in The American Legion Oratorical Contest.

Resources:

- [www.constitutionfacts.com](http://www.constitutionfacts.com)
- Constitution Day Resources: <http://ca3rsproject.org/pages/ConstitutionDayResources.html>