

Celebrating Constitution Day – September 17

Constitution Day commemorates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution by thirty-nine brave men on September 17, 1787, recognizing all who are born in the U.S. or by naturalization, have become citizens.

All institutions receiving federal funding, including funding through the U.S. Department of Education, are required to hold an educational program pertaining to the United States Constitution on September 17 of each year (or in the preceding or following week if the date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday).

VIRTUAL EVENTS

[Signer's Hall Virtual Tour](#)

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 9:00 am

Virtual audiences can join a National Constitution Center museum educator for a tour of Signers' Hall. We'll guide you through the historic year of 1787 as we explore the events that led up to the Constitutional Convention, the debates between the delegates, and the compromises that led to the Constitution that was signed on September 17.

[Constitution Day Naturalization Ceremony](#)

Friday, September 17, 2021 at 6:30 am

On September 17 we not only celebrate Constitution Day, but also Citizenship Day, a holiday meant to honor and celebrate the privileges and responsibilities of U.S. citizenship for both native-born and naturalized citizens. In recognition of this special observance, every year the National Constitution Center hosts a Naturalization Ceremony as part of our Constitution Day celebrations, during which fifty immigrants from across the globe will take the Oath of Allegiance to officially become citizens of the United States. The Honorable John R. Padova, Senior Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, will preside over the ceremony.

[Constitution Day](#)

Friday, September 17, 2021 at 8:00 am

Constitution Day and Citizenship Day are observed each year on September 17 to commemorate the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787, and "recognize all who, by coming of age or by naturalization, have become citizens." In 2004, through Senator Robert C. Byrd's leadership, Congress included key provisions in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2005, requiring public schools and government agencies to provide educational programs to promote a better understanding of the Constitution. ([Public Law 108-477](#))

VIRTUAL RESOURCES

- [LMC Library Constitution Day Virtual Resources](#)
- [10 Facts about the Constitution](#)
- [National Constitution Center's Civic Calendar 2021-2022](#)
- [Interactive Constitution Resource](#)
- [American Association of State Colleges & Universities Resource Page](#)