

THE CONSTITUTIONAL ACADEMY SAMPLE PROGRAM AGENDA

The *Constitutional Academy* includes an active week in Washington, D.C. From morning to night, you will engage in discussions, explore in and around our nation's capital, and enjoy fun and interesting activities – all while building new friendships with like-minded teens.

SUNDAY

Registration and Welcome

General Orientation

Evening Activity:
Welcome dinner and Icebreakers

MONDAY

Presentation:
Principles of American Independence

Discussion:
Which rights are most important to you?

All day trip to Monticello:
Experience Jefferson's unique mind through a visit to his distinctive home

TUESDAY

Presentation:
A Constitutional Republic

Discussion:
What is a republic?

Off-Site at Gunston Hall:
Explore the home of George Mason, a leading advocate for the Bill of Rights

WEDNESDAY

Presentation:
Private Property and Citizenship, Self-Interest, and Leadership

Off-Site at Mount Vernon:
Visit and tour George Washington's home, learn about Washington's role in the crafting of the Constitution

THURSDAY

Presentation:
The Judiciary, the Rule of Law, and Personal Liberty

Discussion:
What is liberty?

Off-site at National Archives:
View the Founding Documents and go behind-the-scenes at the Archives

FRIDAY

Presentation:
The Executive, The Rule of Law, and Security

Discussion:
Executive Power and the Bill of Rights Throughout History

Activity:
Mock Supreme Court Case and Final Exam

Evening activity:
Washington, D.C. Sightseeing Tour

"I now realize that I have to be involved in my government."

—2009 CONSTITUTIONAL ACADEMY PARTICIPANT