

Constitution Day Lesson Kindergarten

We Need Rules at School

Main ideas of this lesson:

- We need rules in our class and school.
- It is important for people to obey the rules.
- Rules are usually written down so people know what they are.
- We need authority figures like principals to help carry out the rules.

Connections to the Constitution:

- We need rules in our country also.
- These rules are called laws.
- Our Constitution is our highest law.
- Our Constitution creates our President who is like the principal of our country.

Basic Ideas about the Constitution for kindergartners:

- The law is the set of rules that we live by.
- The Constitution is the highest law. It belongs to the United States. It belongs to all Americans.
- The Constitution says how the government works. It creates the President who leads our country.
- The Constitution lists some key rights. Rights are things that all people have just because they are alive. By listing the rights, they are made special. They are made safe.
- The Constitution was written over 200 years ago.
- People like George Washington helped write our Constitution. George Washington was also our first President.
- September 17 is the birthday of our Constitution.

Supplemental Activities:

- Have students make “Happy Birthday” cards for the Constitution.
- Make red, white and blue paper chains and decorate your room.
- Discuss other patriotic symbols such as the flag.

