



2021 Speakers Bureau Presentation Topics

1. **Balance of Powers.** The constitution of the United States divides the federal government into three branches to ensure a central government in which no individual or group gains too much control. This presentation describes the powers of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of the federal government and how they relate to one another.
2. **Civics, Civility and Critical Thinking.** With an emphasis on respect, tolerance and civility, this presentation covers how federal, state and local governments work; rights and responsibilities of U.S. citizenship; critical thinking and how to evaluate the credibility of information sources; and skills for engaging in conversations with people who do not share your view.
3. **Florida Government.** This PowerPoint reviews the history of Florida's government, explains the responsibilities and powers of Florida government officers, and explains how laws are created.
4. **Health Care.** How do I make the right choice when it comes to my healthcare and my vote on healthcare issues? This presentation explains how the American healthcare system works, demystifies some of its vocabulary, and looks at what Americans get for their healthcare dollar compared to other countries.
5. **Importance of the US Courts.** The Federal court system impacts every issue we care about. This wonderfully interactive power point explains how the Federal court system is organized, the types of cases Federal courts hear, and how cases are decided. As part of the presentation, audience members form teams to judge a case that was actually decided by a US District Court.
6. **National Popular Vote.** This presentation explains the origin and function of the Electoral College and what some states are doing to change how we elect the President and Vice President of the United States to reflect the popular vote.
7. **News. Separating Fact from Fiction.** This presentation explains how to examine how news stories are provided to us. Are they factual, biased or entirely false?
8. **Women's Suffrage.** 2020 Marks the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution which gave women the right to vote. This power point recounts the sacrifices of activists whose tireless efforts from 1848 to 1920 culminated in women's suffrage.
9. **Your Voice.** Your Vote. Your Power. In 1776 only 10% of Americans had the right to vote. Learn the history of expanding voting rights and the important benefits to those who turn out and vote. This presentation also walks you through the ways you can register and vote.