Constitution Day in Utah - 2025
Writing Prompt for Junior and Senior High School
Courtesy of the Utah State Bar/CLE Department



On September 17, 1787, the Founding Fathers signed the most influential document in American history: the United States Constitution. As the youth of our great state, you are our best hope for preserving and strengthening those ideals. This September 17th, Utah's legal community invites you to celebrate Constitution Day with them, by submitting a short essay in response to the prompt below.

This is the Preamble to the United States Constitution:

We the People of the United States,
in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice,
ensure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense,
promote the general Welfare, and
secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity,
do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Based upon your reading of the Preamble, how do you think the United States Constitution influences and shapes your life today?

Please compose an essay replying to this question, that is between 500 and 1000 words, and that is double-spaced. Submissions are due to your teachers, as assigned.

Any teachers or students are welcome to email essays to CLE@utahbar.org. We will celebrate submissions throughout Fall 2025 and Spring 2026, with our Utah State Bar colleagues.

Thank you for your ideas and contributions to civic dialogue!

