

Arizona High Schools Compete in Constitution Competition

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PHOENIX - December 3, 2003 - Students from 15 Arizona high schools will test their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution on Saturday, December 6, in the district level competition of the “We the People...The Citizen and the Constitution,” an educational program sponsored and administered by the **Arizona Foundation for Legal Services and Education**.

The students are preparing for the competition by studying the U.S. Constitution and learning to relate its important concepts to contemporary situations. During simulated congressional hearings, students will answer complex questions about the Constitution and will be judged on constitutional application, reasoning, supporting evidence and participation.

“We the People’s” primary goals are to promote civic awareness and responsibility in students and strengthen students’ critical thinking and public speaking skills.

The district-level competitions will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Thunderbolt Middle School in Lake Havasu City, Skyline High School in Mesa, Prescott High School in Prescott and at the University of Arizona in Tucson. Eight schools (one from each Congressional District), as well as 2 “wild card” teams will advance to the state competition, to be held January 9, 2004, at the Arizona State University West campus in Phoenix.

The schools participating in the December 6th competition are:

- Chino Valley High School, Chino Valley
- Globe High School, Globe
- Prescott High School, Prescott
- Lake Havasu High School, Lake Havasu
- Mohave High School, Bullhead City
- Mountain Ridge High School, Glendale
- Corona Del Sol, Tempe
- Dobson High School, Mesa
- Hamilton High School, Chandler
- Skyline High School, Mesa
- Nogales High School, Nogales
- Marcos De Niza, Tempe
- Valley Christian, Chandler
- Desert View High School, Tucson
- Rio Rico High School, Rio Rico
- Capps Middle School (Showcasing), Heber-Overgaard

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