

America's Legislators Back to School Program

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We Will Bring Civics Education to You

Your ideas count! That's the message lawmakers will bring to students across the country when they visit classrooms during the America's Legislators Back to School Program. The event kicks off the third week of September and runs throughout the school year. The official House of Delegates participation period will be from September 15th through September 19th. During this time, it is a great opportunity for members of the House of Delegates to meet with young constituents and answer questions, share ideas, listen to concerns and impart a greater understanding of the legislative process.

Sponsored by the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), the America's Legislators Back to School Program is designed to teach young people—the nation's future voters and leaders—what it is like to be a state legislator. School principals, teachers and students have given state legislators an "A" for bringing civics to life for young people during the event.

The goals of this program are to educate future citizens about the legislative process, focus state legislators on civic education and build links between the schools and legislators. The purpose of this event is not to teach about the three branches of government or "how a bill becomes a law," but rather to help students understand how legislators try to solve public problems. At the same time, this program gives students an opportunity to talk about their ideas with the legislators that represent them and brings civics to life.

We Need Your Participation

When school is back in session, it will be easy to participate in America's Legislators Back to School Program. The House of Delegates Legislative Education and Development Office will serve as the liaison between the members of the House of Delegates and the schools to schedule program visits. We would appreciate your participation in this program.

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