

DISCOVERING THE AMERICAN SPIRIT

LIBERAL ARTS

Designed For Students:
 Grades 3rd-12th
 Ages 8-18

Program Length:
 3 hours

Park:
 Magic Kingdom® Park
 Meet at the Transportation and Ticket Center bus lot

OVERVIEW

Journey into Liberty Square to get better acquainted with our country's great leaders and understand the impact of their influence. Then explore Frontierland to learn about sharing our cultural values and traditions from one generation to the next. Students will also act as American pioneers to study the Gold Rush and the challenges of settling the western frontier.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Conflicts and Resolutions in American History

Students come face-to-face with past Presidents of the United States of America as they get the rare opportunity to step on stage at The Hall of Presidents attraction.

- Students explore the major conflicts and resolutions of 19th Century America as they study the historically accurate presidential figures at The Hall of Presidents attraction
- Students discover presidential contributions and influences upon the development of our nation

Oral Traditions

Splash Mountain® takes students on a trip through the 19th century South to discover storytelling as a method of communication.

- Students learn how oral traditions were a way of communicating values, events and heritage from one generation to the next

Westward Expansion

The runaway mine train of Thunder Mountain Railroad takes students on a high-speed ride through the days of the Gold Rush.

- Students gain an understanding of the challenge in settling the western frontier and the impact of the Gold Rush on the nation
- Using Frontierland as a backdrop, students assume the roles of prospectors, merchants, or investors as they barter and deal their way to fame or misfortune in this re-creation of a western boomtown

Your Role in the American Story

Transports your students back in time to Boston and Philadelphia to discover the Colonial America way of life.

- Students discover significant events which led colonists down "The Road to Revolution" and to ultimately ratify the Constitution of the United States
- The Hall of Presidents attraction shows how the conflicts of the Civil War and Reconstruction Era tested our nation and its constitution
- Students are summoned to sign the Declaration of Independence by the ringing of an authentic replica of the Liberty Bell

GROUP LEADER RESOURCES

A **video overview** of *Discovering the American Spirit* is available on the Disney Youth Programs YouTube Channel.

National Standards and supplemental educational materials aligned with this program are available at DisneyYES.com.



Disney Youth Education Series programs are accredited by the Northwest Accreditation Commission.

All programs subject to availability. Program content, times, attractions, and locations subject to change due to inclement weather, availability, or group dynamics. Students must meet minimum age/grade requirements.

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