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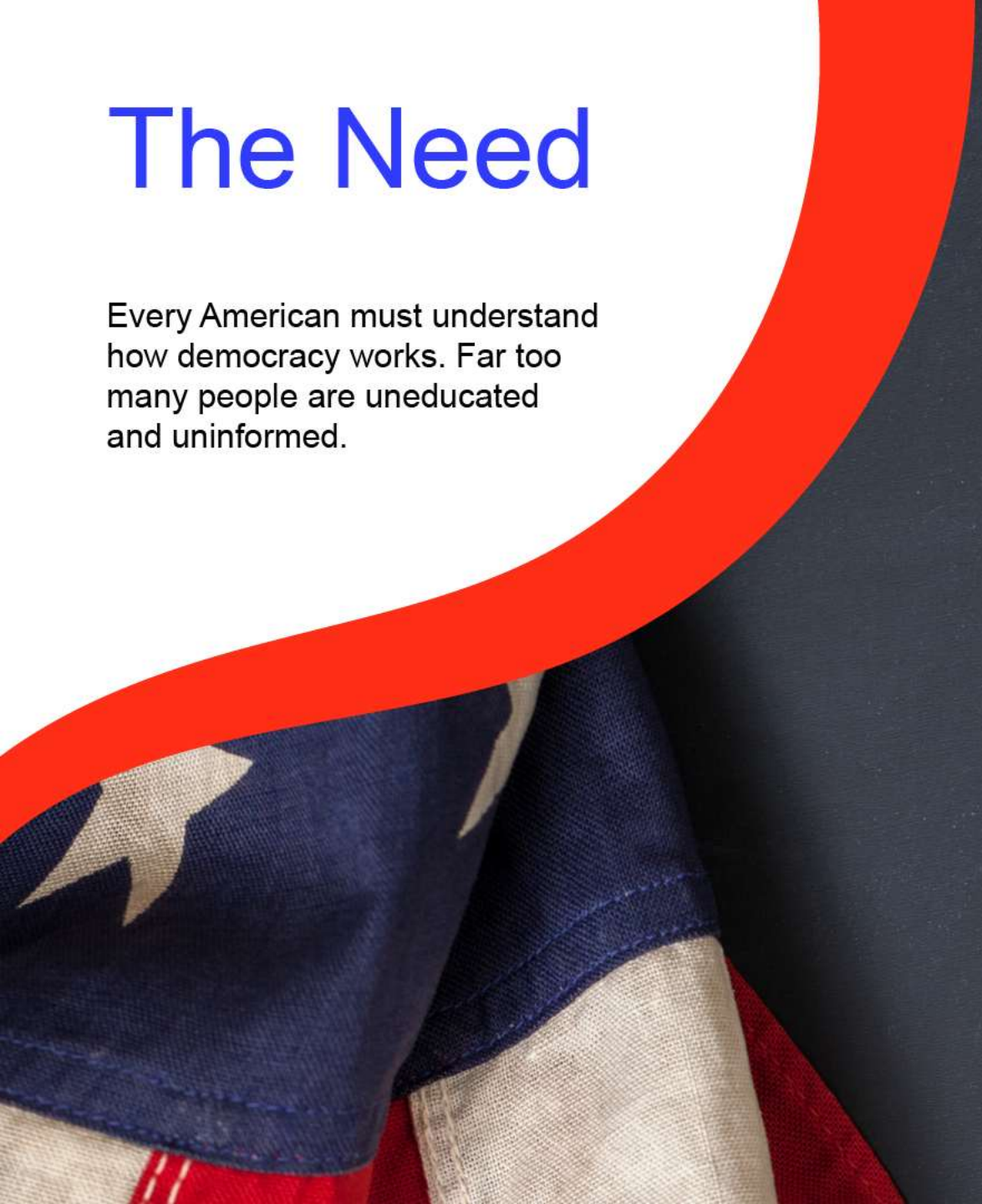
National Civics Bee®
by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation

Welcome



The Need

Every American must understand how democracy works. Far too many people are uneducated and uninformed.



21% of people cannot name a single First Amendment right

79% of 8th graders score below proficient in civics

52% of young people think democracy has failed or is in trouble

The Vision

Our vision is that every American has the knowledge, skills, and disposition to exercise their rights and fulfill their responsibilities in our democracy.



About

Created and organized by the
U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

Students in grades six through eight compete for cash prizes and recognition by demonstrating their civic knowledge through an essay and live quiz.

In 2025, the National Civics Bee engaged nearly 12,000 middle schoolers in more than 200 communities across 40 states.

In 2026, our goal is to expand the Bee to all 50 states in time for “America’s 250th birthday.”





Video from our partners at the
U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation.

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Student Voices

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Now that I’m here and I’m meeting all these other people who are passionate about civics, I’m realizing that it’s not just a study of the people and the government, it’s also a way of bringing people together.

Emily B. | 2024 First-Place Winner from Alaska



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For a chance to compete, students propose a civics solution to a community problem.

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When I got home, there were firetrucks, police, and the town ambulance escorting me to school with a parade. They gave me a pep rally. The entire school got into it, and I gave a speech about what I did and how thankful I am. The cheerleaders even made a sign.

Michael O. | 2024 Second-Place Winner from Iowa



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In the final round, students answer questions in front of a live panel of judges.

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I was fortunate to have a great history teacher who made me feel that learning and discussing history can also be fun. This really intrigued my eagerness to learn more about history, and thanks to his influence, I’ve also started paying more attention to civic issues and developed ideas for taking part in the National Civics Bee.

Keith L. | 2024 Third-Place Winner from New Mexico



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20%

of finalists had no prior civics education in school

National Media Engagement

U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Digital Content

- 5.8M+ social media impressions
- 77.3K+ website visits
- 81.5K+ social media followers

Press Mentions

- In 2024, National Civics Bee competitions earned 439 media hits including news articles and TV interviews.



Central Indiana Competition Sponsorship Opportunities

$2,500
Gold

- Highest level recognition
- Invite to speak at competition
- Logo on signage
- Logo on event website
- Video on social media
- Option to serve as judge
- Option to supply branded gifts or promotions for attendees

$1,500
Silver

- Logo on signage
- Logo on website
- Recognition on social media
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$750
Bronze

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- Logo on website
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In-Kind Donations

Help us bring the National Civics Bee to life!

We Need:

- Venue for the live competition
- Audio visual services
- Printed banners & signage
- Catering
- Tablets & computers
- Prizes



Thank You



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