## Superintendent's Message

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## CONSTITUTION WEEK

In 2002, President George W. Bush proclaimed September 17 through September 23, 2002 as Constitution Week each year. Therefore, "Constitution Week" commences this Sunday through next Friday.

The Constitution of the United States is the primary law of the U.S. Federal Government. It outlines the basic rights of citizens of the United States. The Constitution of the United States is the oldest Federal constitution in existence and was framed by a convention of delegates from twelve of the thirteen original states in Philadelphia in May 1787. On September 17, 1787, 55 delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia's Independence Hall signed the Constitution of the United States.

Under the Constitution, our great Nation established a government that has guided us and protected our individual rights as citizens. The Constitution of the United States ensures the preservation of liberty, justice and opportunity for all people. It has secured the principles of the Declaration of Independence by establishing a government that is "by the people." Our government gets it authority and power from the American people.

Today, America remains the greatest country in the world. It is a place that provides freedom, justice and liberty for all. We will continue to remain strong as a Nation, opposing tyranny and terror. Our Constitution provides the guidance that will enable our liberty and freedom to endure now and into the future.

Please visit the links available on our website for more information about our Constitution. This coming week our schools will be actively engaged in a variety of activities to focus on our Constitution and our great Nation. It is also a time to recognize all the men and women who are in the military and continue to guard our freedoms.

God Bless America!

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