



Patriot Day (9/11) Resources

September 11: Patriot Day was designated by joint resolution of the U.S. Congress (PL 107-89) on Dec. 18, 2001, to honor those who perished in the events of September 11, 2001. By Public Law (111-13), adopted April 21, 2009, Congress has requested September 11 also be recognized as a National Day of Service and Remembrance.

The Kansas State Department of Education does not endorse any particular program, resource or Web site, the informational resources provided below may be useful to local districts in developing curriculum for Patriot Day.

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9/11 Memorial & Museum

"The 9/11 Memorial & Museum is the country's principal institution concerned with exploring 9/11, documenting its impact, and examining its continuing significance. Honoring those who were killed in the 2001 and 1993 attacks is at the heart of our mission."

<https://www.911memorial.org/>

9/11 Tribute Museum

"The Museum presents videos, artifacts and "Person to Person History," linking visitors who want to understand the historic events of 9/11 with those who experienced them."

<https://911tributemuseum.org/teaching-911/>

Library of Congress: Teaching About September 11 Using Primary Sources from LOC

"Part of the power of teaching with primary sources comes from their immediacy—eyewitness accounts of historic events can have an emotional impact that secondary sources might lack. This is especially true of primary sources relating to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001."

<https://blogs.loc.gov/teachers/2011/09/teaching-about-september-11-using-primary-sources-from-library-of-congress/>

PBS Newshour Extra: The 9/11 Anniversary in the Classroom

"Teaching the events and aftermath of the 20th anniversary of 9/11 can be challenging because of the complex emotions it stirs up in both teacher and student and the sheer size of the topic. Keeping this in mind, we have provided a one-page background text for middle and high school students and a short list of resources for the classroom. Within the resource collections you will find articles, videos, lesson plans, interactive timelines, photo slideshows and other rich content to choose from to meet the needs of your own classroom."

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/2021/08/911-anniversary-in-the-classroom/>

September 11 Digital Archive

"The **September 11 Digital Archive** uses electronic media to collect, preserve, and present the history of September 11, 2001 and its aftermath. The Archive contains more than 150,000 digital items, a tally that includes more than 40,000 emails and other electronic communications, more than 40,000 first-hand stories, and more than 15,000 digital images. In September 2003, the Library of Congress accepted the Archive into its collections, an event that both ensured the Archive's long-term preservation and marked the library's first major digital acquisition."

<https://911digitalarchive.org/>

Smithsonian Learning Lab: September 11, 2001

"This is a Smithsonian Learning Lab topical collection, which contains images, text, and other multimedia resources that may complement the Tween Tribune feature, [Battered bronze sphere returns to World Trade Center site](#). Use these resources to ask, where is 9/11 lie in our national memory? Is it recent event, or history?"

<https://learninglab.si.edu/collections/september-11-2001/2mnRwcXcsqDesWGJ#r/>

teachinghistory.org

"Teachinghistory.org is designed to help K–12 history teacher's access resources and materials to improve U.S. history education in the classroom. With funding from the U.S. Department of Education, the Center for History and New Media (CHNM) has created Teachinghistory.org with the goal of making history content, teaching strategies, resources, and research accessible."

<https://teachinghistory.org/search/node?keys=September+11>