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COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

U.S. History and Virginia Studies
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7 60-min. Programs
Grades 4-8
Website
Teacher's Guide
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Through technology, **COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG** allows students to see what this country was like as it was becoming America. **COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG** links students to historical characters for history lessons that are truly unforgettable via electronic field trips to eighteenth century settings. Students meet people from their history books, like Thomas Jefferson, as well as ordinary people who also played a role in founding our nation. When registered for the interactive components of these electronic field trips (\$120 per episode), students can ask questions of the people they meet, and can vote in online discussion boards. Teacher's guides are only available to registered participants. All programs will air live at 1:00 p.m. on 10/14, 11/18, 12/16, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, and 4/7.

1. The Will of the People — One of the most bitter presidential campaigns in U. S. history is part of a surprising lesson for a 21st-century student. Thomas Jefferson explains how negative campaigning, partisan politics, and contested elections have been part of our political system since the earliest days of the republic.
Social Studies: VS.6, USI.1

2. The Bill of Rights — The Bill of Rights protects individual freedoms, but what if the government had too much power and there was no such thing as the Bill of Rights? Explore an alternate reality in which individual rights are limited and life is very different.
Social Studies: VS.6, USI.7

3. Founders or Traitors? — The months of late 1776 were "the times that try men's souls." Join Edward Rutledge, Benjamin Franklin, and John Adams as they attend a conference with British admiral Lord Howe, hoping to end the American rebellion peacefully. Discover the signers of the Declaration of Independence and the risks they took.
Social Studies: VS.6, USI.6, USI.7

4. The Amazing Trade Shop Science Race! — Root for student contestants as they compete to discover the physics, chemistry, and simple machines employed by Colonial Williamsburg's tradespeople to reconstruct an eighteenth-century coffee-

house. Quirky "Professor Eddie" hosts this engaging science game show!
Social Studies: VS.4, PS.10

5. Freedom Bound — Choice, hope, and escape from slavery are highlighted in stories spanning three centuries. Examine the options for slaves willing to risk their lives for freedom. Where could they run? Whom could they trust? Learn how these answers changed over time, from the American colonies' first slave laws to the Underground Railroad before the Civil War.
Social Studies: VS.7, VS.8, USI.9

6. Women of the Revolution — Bravery. Loyalty. Sacrifice. Women of the Revolution possessed all of these qualities. Explore the excitement, peril, and individual stories of Deborah Sampson, Mary Perth, Martha Washington, and other women, on both sides of the conflict, who proved their mettle in America's war for independence.
Social Studies: VS.4, USI.6

7. Making History Live — What makes history come alive? Take a behind-the-scenes look at how historical African American character portrayals are created for Colonial Williamsburg's Historic Area. From research through performance, experienced museum interpreters share their techniques for bringing the past to life.
Social Studies: USII.4

Additional Resource Information:

Participation in the interactive components of these electronic field trips requires registration. Teacher's guides are only available to registered participants. For registration information visit the website at www.history.org/trips or call 800-761-8331, email is EFTSupport@cwf.org.



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