Framing Freedom: Empowering Classrooms with Founding Documents, Principles, and Creative Expression

February 7, 2026 • 9 am to 3 PM
The American Village

Program

8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	**Registration and Continental breakfast**
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM	**Welcome and Opening Remarks**
9:15 AM – 10:00 AM	**The Importance of Understanding our History and Who we Are as Citizens** • Plenary by Colonel Alan Miller, USMC, ret., CEO, The American Village • Followed by a Conversation with: Colonel Miller and Dr. Jeff Scott, Director of Civic Education, Troy University
10:05 AM – 10:35	**Forging Civic Strength Through the Lens of History** • Dr. Jeff Scott, Director of Civic Education, Troy University
10:35 AM-10:45 AM	**Break**
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	**Bridging Divides & Speaking Across Differences Through the Lens of History, Politics, and Society** • John Snoad, Senior Manager, Sphere Education initiatives • Colman Britt, Educator Engagement Specialist, Sphere Education Initiatives
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM	**Lunch**
12:45 PM – 1:35 PM	**Workshop Session One** Perseverance Through the Lens of Valley Forge • Dr. Jeff Scott
1:35 PM – 1:45 PM	**Transition**
1:45 PM – 2:35 PM	**Workshop Session Two** America at 250: Fostering Civil Discourse Through Art and Founding Principles • John Snoad and Colman Britt
2:35 PM – 2:40 PM	**Transition**
2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	**Closing Remarks**

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