



Eighth Annual Delaware Day Competition Checklist

- ✓ Are words spelled correctly?
- ✓ Are sentences complete?
- ✓ Is information accurate?
- ✓ Are correct and appropriate forms of words used?
- ✓ Are pictures labeled properly?

Do the following headings and questions appear on each panel?

- Panel 1 **The Constitution** – Explain the purpose of the U.S. Constitution. Identify the names of the five Delawareans who attended the Philadelphia Convention in 1787.
- Panel 2 **Article VII** – Read Article VII of the Constitution. Explain the ratification process. Define the term “ratification.” What is significant about the date December 7, 1787?
- Panel 3 **The First Congress** – The year 2009 represents the 220th anniversary of the first Congress established under the U.S. Constitution. Read Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution. Who elects members of the House of Representatives? Read Article I, Section 3 of the Constitution. Explain how the first Senators were chosen.
- Panel 4 **The Bill of Rights** – During the Philadelphia Convention, delegates considered writing a bill of rights but decided to wait until after the states ratified the proposed Constitution. The first Congress proposed the Bill of Rights in 1789 and forwarded a draft copy to each state for their consideration in the fall. When did states ratify the Bill of Rights? When did Delaware ratify our country’s Bill of Rights?