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Middle to High School Activities - Legacy of a Leader

Explore one of the country's largest congressional collections to learn about Congress, leadership, and the legacy of Senator Bob Dole. Primary source analysis of paper documents, photographs, audio-visual items, and museum objects highlight Dole's 35-year career in public service. Focus on how government works, bipartisanship, and civic engagement.

- Group size 15-50 students at a time
- Brown bag lunch may be eaten on premises
- 1 - 4 hours of field trip programming
- Inquire about bus transportation scholarships!

Customize field trip experience with the following activity options:

Breakout! Archives Edition - A digital breakout, similar to an escape room, but based on the Dole Archives! Complete this fun preassessment before your visit.

Choose from alternating activities: 30 minutes

- Life of a Leader** - How has Dole impacted you? In small groups, investigate the museum gallery and become experts on Senator Dole life and career. Whole group discussion follows to bring Dole's biography to life.
- Behind the Scenes** - How do we preserve history? Special access to the stacks, where Senator Dole's congressional collection is preserved.
- Photograph Analysis** - What can we learn from a photo? Strengthen analysis skills and discover the clues archival photos hold.
- Stars & Stripes** - How does your knowledge stack up? Race to answer trivia questions to obtain puzzle pieces that create a giant American flag.
- Campaign Planning** - What is your message? Learning from the experiences of Senators Bob and Elizabeth Dole, create a campaign poster or button inspired by the Dole Archives and brainstorm your mock political platform.
- Constituent Letter Writing** - What can you do? Contribute to the national or regional discussion by writing a letter to your representatives. Gather ideas from letters that students just like you wrote to Senator Dole.

Workshops: 45 to 90 minutes

- Document Discovery** - Analyze archival documents from Senator Dole's congressional office to explore issues like the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, civil rights, or voting rights and the 26th amendment. Primary source analysis worksheets will guide students in researching their document and debate-style discussion highlights different viewpoints and the complex decisions Congressional leaders make.
- Manuscript Box Training** - Learn how to be an archivist! Learn the proper techniques for handling archives materials and even start your own research on Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) legislation. Other subjects available by special arrangement.



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