

The United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana hosted over forty students from Capitol High School on September 19, 2022. The students observed the Court's annual Fall naturalization ceremony recognizing Constitution and Citizenship Day, then participated in a



program called *Civil Discourse and the Constitution: Candid Conversations*, which is designed to encourage civil discussion and to enhance decision-making skills. To prepare for the program, students took a “Reality Check

Quiz” to evaluate how they interact with others. The students then participated in a discussion about strategies for making good decisions and how to manage disagreements in a civil manner. The discussion was led by Magistrate Judge Erin Wilder-Doomes, with attorney volunteers: Candace Ford, Breazeale, Sachse, & Wilson, L.L.P.; and Jamie A. Flowers, Jr., Katherine K. Green, Eli J. Abad, Edward H. Warner and Justin A. Jack of the United States Attorney’s Office. The students also heard from United States District Judge Brian A. Jackson and United States Attorney Ronald C. Gathe, Jr.

The Court welcomes the opportunity to engage the community in the workings of a federal court and to discuss how the Third Branch is organized and operates. For information about tours and presentations, please contact the Clerk of Court by calling (225) 389-3500 or sending a request to media@lamd.uscourts.gov.