SEPTEMBER CAREER ACTIVITIES

Celebrate these special days and careers during the month of September

First Monday in September: Labor Day is dedicated to the achievements of American Workers. Learn more about Labor Day from the U.S. Department of Labor. Learn about Rosie the Riveter, the true story of the Labor icon.

Interested in getting your first job? Check out the Department of Labor Youth Employment Rules, the Young Worker Toolkit (en Espanol) and your rights on the job.

Kids in grades K-5 Explore Careers in the Kids Search.

Grades 6-12 find out more about over 800 Careers in the Career Search. Or learn about Career Clusters in Who R U? Create your first resume. Try these activities for more career fun.

*Seek n Find
*Explore, Learn, Grow
*Career Kids

September 4th: Newspaper Carrier Day
Make your own newspaper with PBS Kids Martha Speaks Town Crier. Create your own advertisements with Career Town’s Ads on the Go.
Learn about Facts and Opinions with Binky from Arthur. Learn about the Newsboys Strike of 1899 when kids led a campaign to increase the amount of money they received for distributing newspapers! Who was Kid Blink?
Teachers: Use this Newsies Strike Lesson Plan. Try this Digital Printing Press to create a newspaper by the International Reading Association, NCTE, Thinkfinity, and Verizon
Related careers:
*Mail Clerks and Mail Machine Operators
*Postal Service Mail Carriers
*Postmasters

September 8th: Grandparent’s Day
National Grandparent’s Day is set aside every year to honor your grandparents. Here is an opportunity for you to spend some time with your grandparent and have fun with ideas from this Take Action Guide.

Related careers:
*Home Health Aides
*Personal Care Aides
*Physical Therapists

National Piano Month
• Learn about the history of the piano
• Learn the names and notes of the piano keys with this Virtual Piano
• Learn about different instruments at the Music Shop ion Daniel Tiger’s Neighborhood.
• Learn about all kinds of music and instruments at PBS Kids Music Games: http://pbskids.org/games/music/
• Make instruments with PBS Kids Design Squad Global at: http://pbskids.org/designsquad/topbuilder/15/

• Magic Piano by SMULE is a great app and game for all ages (includes in app purchases)
• Create your own Mini Keyboard here!

Draw your own musical symbols with this worksheet and website.
Related Careers:
* Art, Drama, and Music Teachers

Baby Safety Month
• Do you have a baby in your house? Learn about ways to keep that baby safe from the Center for Disease Control. Check out Red Cross Babysitting Training in VA

• Related careers:
* Childcare Workers
* Nannies
* Product Safety Engineers
**September Career Activities**

**September 8th:** International Literacy Day

- This day was created by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to highlight the importance of literacy around the world, including educating women and girls. Learn more about UNESCO and its literacy efforts [here].

Parents: Explore 25 activities for parents and young readers from the U.S. Dept. Of Education.
- PBS Reading Games
- Related careers:
  - Elementary School Teachers
  - English Language and Literature Teachers
  - Tutors

**9-11 -2001: The Day that Changed America**

- What happened on 9-11-2001 for Kids (By Scholastic & Hands on NEA Activities)
- Scholastic gives a great explanation of 9-11 for kids on this [site].

Parents: Write a letter to emergency services personnel. Related careers:
- Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics
- Police, Fire, and Ambulance Dispatchers
- Special Forces

**September 16th: Mayflower Day.**

On September 16th, 1620 the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth, England for the New World with 102 passengers. Learn more about this ship and its journey in history and check out the First Thanksgiving interactive activity from Scholastic.

Find out if you would sign the Mayflower Compact. Related careers:
- Ship Pilots
- Ship Mates
- Marine Engineers and Naval Architects
- Freight and Cargo Inspectors

**September 15th:** Mexican Independence Day.

See the summary [here]. Learn more about this day with Scholastic. Related careers:
- Lawyers
- Legislators

**September 17th:** Constitution Day. The Constitutional Congress of the United States of America held its final meeting on September 17, 1787 to sign the Constitution of the United States of America. Learn about the Founding Fathers and the history of this day. Also explore a number of Constitution Day activities, toolkit, and information and games from the Constitution Center. Related careers:
- Legislator
- Law Teacher
- Court Clerk

**Hispanic Heritage Month:** Sept. 15th - Oct. 15th

- Recognize the contributions made and importance of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture.
- September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.
- Try this [interactive activity] from Scholastic and find lessons plans and educational activities for students from the Smithsonian.

**Native American Day** Sept. 27th

- September 27th. Native American Day, is set aside to honor and celebrate Native Americans, the first Americans to live in the U.S. Learn about Native American youth, Native American Day celebrations, and events in Virginia, and the history of different Native American tribes. Also check out this [interactive map] of different Native American tribes and learn about the role of buffalo in the lives of Plains Indians.

Download the study guide pdf, Virginia Indians: Meet the Tribes by the Virginia Department of Education.

Learn more about Virginia’s First People: Past and Present [here]. Related careers:
- Anthropologist
- Historian
- History Teachers

[Scott County’s History Page] is a great resource. William & Mary also provides a great resource.