

CRITICAL THINKING AWARENESS DAY

FEBRUARY 15



WHAT IS IT?

Critical Thinking Awareness Day was began in West Virginia when Governor Jim Justice designated February 15, 2024, as the state's inaugural Critical Thinking Awareness Day. This declaration highlights the significance of fostering and applying critical thinking among West Virginians. The initiative encourages schools, universities, and libraries to organize events on this day, promoting the importance of critical thinking and informed decision-making in various areas of life.

FREE ACTIVITIES

We have sourced and compiled a number of FREE activities and resources that are available to schools and libraries to use to participate in celebrating Critical Thinking Awareness Day. Activities are categorized by age level and there is something for all age ranges, from elementary school through college.

CELEBRATE!

We hope you are able to celebrate with us. Participation can be as easy as a "bell-ringer" activity in primary/secondary schools, to a free movie screening for students at the collegiate level. If you elect to celebrate, please let us know! Email us at: info@westvirginiaskpticssociety.com

For FREE activities and resources go to
www.criticalthinkingday.com/

WHY CRITICAL THINKING MATTERS

Critical thinking is key for smart decision-making and problem-solving. These skills help us to analyze information, question assumptions, and make sound choices in both personal and professional matters. Critical thinking skills foster adaptability, creativity, and contributes to a more informed society.

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE

As educators, it is our responsibility to diligently prepare students for the future. By imparting critical thinking skills, we not only enhance their immediate academic experience but also better equip them for the uncertainties of the years ahead. The rapidly evolving landscape of innovations, jobs, and challenges of the future are unpredictable, but we can certainly instill in students the essential skills to adapt and thrive. Teaching critical thinking goes beyond mere knowledge acquisition; it cultivates resilience, adaptability, and a proactive approach to problem-solving, ensuring that students are well-prepared for the dynamic and ever-changing future that awaits them.