

## Handout A: Constitutional Connection—The Electoral College Answer Key

1. They are selected in whatever manner a state's legislature directs. Today, all states choose electors by popular vote, though the people vote for electors who are pledged to vote for a certain candidate.
2. They meet in their respective states.
3. Having the people vote for certain electors who they believe are particularly wise or informed will ensure that good candidates are chosen; having electors meet in their own states will cut down on controversies; candidates will have to appeal to electors across the entire country, rather than just a single populous state, in order to be elected President of the United States.
4. Accept reasoned responses.