



DEA Forensics Festival

Friday, September 25th, 2026

DEA Headquarters Courtyard

700 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

All Activities are FREE

Whether it's investigating suspected drug traffickers or providing information that drives cases, forensic science plays a vital role in law enforcement. In recognition of National Forensic Science Week, the Drug Enforcement Administration is hosting a Forensics Festival. Come and meet the real crime lab scientists and experts in chemistry, fingerprint, digital examination, and Illicit Hazardous Environments (IHE) that support DEA's mission.

Participate in discussions and learn about steps that you can take toward a Fentanyl Free America.

Students in grade 7 – 12 are invited to participate in DEA's National Forensic Science Week Poster Competition: "How Do You Make Healthy and Safe Choices About Drugs?",

Stationed throughout the courtyard will be demonstrations and hands-on activities for all ages. Please note that public parking is not available on-site. The closest Metro station is Pentagon City and there are several pay lots nearby.

Attendees 18 years or older who wish to also visit the DEA Museum and Visitors Center must present a Real ID compliant form of identification.

