Resources:

Books

Bennett, William J. *Our Country's Founders.* New York: Scholastic Inc. 1998.
Adaptation for young people from Our Sacred Honor: Words of Advice from the Founders in Stories, Letters, Poems, and Speeches by William Bennett. Words of advise from the Founders on being a good citizen. Includes brief biographies and a timeline.

Chase, Philander D. "George Washington." *The World Book Encyclopedia.* 1993. Vol. 21.
Biographical information on Jefferson including an excerpt from a letter to Dr. Walter Jones describing Washington's character.

Cunliffe, Marcus. *Washington, Man and Monument.* The Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, 1998.
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Collection of Jefferson's writings including the letter to Dr. Walter Jones describing Washington's character.

Fritz, Jean. *The Great Little Madison*. New York: Scholastic, 1989.
Biographical information on Madison for young readers.

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Ch. 8: Douglas L. Wilson, "Thomas Jefferson and the Meanings of Liberty"
Ch. 9: Brian McGinty, "Sunrise at Philadelphia"
Ch. 10: Gordon S. Wood, "The Greatness of George Washington."
Brief essays, narratives, and biographical portraits on Jefferson, Washington, and the Constitutional Convention.

Ransom, Candice F. *George Washington*. Minneapolis: Lerner Publications, 2002.
Biography suitable for elementary students.

Wilson, Jr., Vincent. *The Book of the Founding Fathers*. Brookeville, Maryland: American History Research Associates, 1974.
Brief biographies on the Founders. Good resource for students.

Websites

http://chumby.dlib.vt.edu/melissa/posters/vastudiesposter.html
Use for posters all Virginia Studies.

http://gunstonhall.org/georgemason

Use for timeline and biographical information including Mason's objections to signing the Constitution. Quotes by and about him are also available.

http://gwpapers.virginia.edu
Comprehensive website includes documents, articles, maps, images, and educational resources pertaining to George Washington.

http://gwpapers.virginia.edu/education/kids/kids1.html
Direct link to G. W. Kids resource site. Interact site for elementary age students.

http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/gwhtml/gwtime.html
Use for timeline and biographical information of Washington during the Colonial Period with links to the Revolutionary Period and the Early Republic.

http://memory.loc.gov/cgi-bin/ampage?collId=llsp&fileName=037/llsp037.db&recNum=199
Use for a direct link to the Oration on the Death of General Washington delivered by Henry Lee to Congress on December 28,1799.

http://odur.let.rug.nl/~usa/B/gmason/gmasxx.htm
Use for quotes about Mason's character and role in the creation of the Virginia Declaration of Rights.

http://www.archives.gov/national_archives_experience/charters/bill_of_rights_transcript.html
Direct link to the Bill of Rights at the National Archives site.

http://www.archives.gov/national_archives_experience/charters/virginia_declaration_of_rights.html
Direct link to the Virginia Declaration of Rights at the National Archives site.

http://www.jmu.edu/madison/center/index.htm
Use for biographical information and quotes by and about James Madison. Find information pertaining his role at the Constitutional Convention.

http://www.jmu.edu/madison/gpos225-madison2/creativeburst.htm
Use for biographical information on Madison.

http://www.jmu.edu/madison/center/main_pages/madison_archives/constit_confed/constitution/document/document.htm
Use for Preamble of the U. S. Constitution.

http://www.jmu.edu/madison/center/main_pages/madison_archives/constit_confed/constitution/overview/story.htm
Excerpts from letters written by Madison about the Constitution Convention.

http://www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwedo/k12/bor/vsrftext.htm
Use for the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom.

http://www.monticello.org/jefferson/index.html
Use for biographical information on Jefferson. Also found here is information about his interests, quotes,, role in the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and a timeline of his life.

http://www.pbs.org/jefferson/enlight/sstips1.htm
Teaching tips for discussion of Jefferson's view of religious freedom.

http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/sol.html
Use for Enhanced Scope and Sequence of Virginia Studies. Documents of American History also available here.

http://www.pen.k12.va.us/VDOE/Instruction/AmericanDoc99.pdf
Use for text of Virginia Statute of Religious Freedom and the Constitution of the United States with Amendments.

http://www.vahistorical.org/storyofvirginia.htm
Use for chapters "Becoming Virginians" and "Becoming Americans".