

NARRATION FOR HOPE OF AMERICA SONGS

Posting of the Colors	Will the audience please rise as _____ presents our nation's flag
Pledge	Will the audience now join us in reciting our nation's Pledge of Allegiance, after which we will join the chorus in singing our national anthem
Star Spangled Banner	
Hope of America	Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls – Welcome to Hope of America Student Showcase!
The Bill of Rights	The American Constitution is the cornerstone of our democracy. One important part of the Constitution was added to protect the rights of citizens. It is called <i>The Bill of Rights</i>
I Have a Dream	
This is America	Here in America, citizens participate in making our country what it is. We choose our leaders, work in our communities, and join each other in getting things done. In the spirit of an American pep rally, we invite the audience to participate in our next number. Follow the chorus and our USA pep squad in hand actions, clapping, and the wave, while we sing <i>This is America</i> .
Thank You, Military	At this time, we ask the families of our students who have served or are serving in the military to please stand. Our military and their families demonstrate courage, sacrifice, and love of country. We dedicate this performance and honor you today as we sing <i>Thank You, Military</i> .
The Declaration of Independence	The Declaration of Independence is the most important of all American historical documents. It boldly declares that all men are created equal and summarizes the principles of our unique American government. Enjoy, as we sing <i>The Declaration of Independence</i> .
In America's History	<i>In America's History</i> , we learn about the patriots who sacrificed to secure our liberties and freedoms – men like George Washington, Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, Paul Revere, and Alexander Hamilton. Each wrote their story.
All Kinds of People	People from every corner of the world have come to America to make a new home. Students will represent a few of the many nationalities that have strengthened our country as they perform <i>All Kinds of People</i> came to America.
Let's Vote	When citizens turn 18 years old, one of the most important things they can do is go to the polls to vote. In 1870, the 15 th amendment granted African-American men the right to vote. Women couldn't vote until 1920! So, let's hear it for voting!
American Heroes	To honor our first responders, to give them the proper accolades they so deserve, we bring onto the floor (name) and the (organization). Will the families of these heroes please stand so we can spot them

	and give them a round of applause for their everyday acts of heroism. (This is typically 3-5 motorcycle officers who enter with lights and sirens blaring.)
Our Flag – The Red, White, and Blue	All across the country our flag waves proudly in the air as a symbol of our great nation and the freedoms we enjoy. In every town and city, and across the farmlands, too, there's "Old Glory"... the red, white and blue!
I Love America	Gratitude for our country is expressed in our song, <i>I Love America!</i>
Utah, This is the Place (other states' songs may be substituted here)	In 1996, Utah celebrated its 100 th birthday as a state. As part of the Centennial Celebration that year, Provo's Freedom Festival invited school children to perform the song "Utah... This is the Place" at the very first Hope of America Student Showcase. We continue to celebrate all the things we love about Utah and ask the audience to please join us as we sing our State Song "Utah."
We Can be a Light	We hope this program has encouraged us in our love of America and in the determination to be the kind of citizens that will keep this country free. We close our program with a reminder to us all, <i>We Can be a Light.</i>