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## **"50 CAPITALS TOUR" BRINGS C-SPAN BUS TO CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA ON OCTOBER 2 AND 3 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ALTICE USA**

**Washington, September 28, 2017** – C-SPAN’s all new, state-of-the-art 45-foot customized motor coach is traveling to Charleston, West Virginia on October 2 and 3 as part of C-SPAN’s "50 Capitals Tour." Partnering with Altice USA to engage teachers, students, community members and elected officials through interactive demonstrations of C-SPAN's multi-platform public service resources, the C-SPAN Bus will welcome visitors at events over two days. On Tuesday, parked outside the Capitol building, C-SPAN will host Governor Jim Justice and Lieutenant Governor Mitch Carmichael aboard the Bus for a live interview for C-SPAN’s signature morning program, *Washington Journal*. In addition, Altice has arranged for students from Ripley High School in Ripley, West Virginia and St. Albans High School in Charleston, West Virginia to view the interviews in-person and engage with the elected officials.

To launch the new C-SPAN Bus – and begin the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Bus program – C-SPAN embarked on a "50 Capitals Tour" in September 2017, heading to every U.S. state capital, culminating in November 2018. Throughout this 14-month tour, the C-SPAN Bus will open its doors at each state capitol to welcome visitors. C-SPAN Representatives will also gather video responses from visitors as part of its "Voices from the States" – an opportunity for visitors to share viewpoints on state issues and what they think Washington leaders should do to address local concerns.

“Altice USA is proud to partner with C-SPAN on the '50 Capitals Tour’ in West Virginia,” said Lee Schroeder, senior vice president, government and community affairs, Altice USA. “This is a great opportunity to engage students on current issues facing their state as they voice their opinions and experience the valuable programming and resources that C-SPAN offers.”

The new, high-tech, interactive C-SPAN Bus includes these upgraded resources:

- Access to an exclusive interactive experience available on 11 large-screen tablets featuring C-SPAN programming and myriad of political and educational resources
- A smart TV and classroom area for conversations with students and teachers
- A high-definition TV production studio for taped and live programming
- A D.C.-themed selfie station where visitors can share their Bus experience through social media

Since 1993, a C-SPAN Bus has traveled across the nation in partnership with C-SPAN's cable and satellite providers for local interactions through visits to schools and community events. Visitors to the Bus will engage with the C-SPAN Bus crew and the onboard interactive tools to learn about the unique public service television networks, C-SPAN's online presence and C-SPAN Classroom's comprehensive educational resources. Bus visitors will learn about C-SPAN's unique non-commercial, editorially-balanced, non-biased coverage of public affairs and political events and the cable industry's commitment to funding its operations.

**EVENTS (press invited):**

**October, 2, 2017**

<b>8:45 AM-10 AM</b>	<b>St. Albans High School</b> 1900 Kanawha Terrace, St Albans, WV - teacher's parking lot
<b>10:45 AM-12:15 PM</b>	<b>South Charleston High School</b> 1 Eagle Way, Charleston, WV
<b>1 PM-2:45 PM</b>	<b>George Washington High School</b> 1522 Tennis Club Rd, Charleston, WV – in front of school
<b>3:30 PM-4:30 PM</b>	<b>Boys and Girls club</b> 301 Tennessee Avenue, Charleston, WV

**October, 3, 2017**

<b>10:15 AM-Noon</b>	<b>West Virginia State Capitol</b> 1900 Kanawha Blvd E, Charleston, WV – center of capitol complex
<b>12:45 PM-2:15 PM</b>	<b>Capital High School</b> 1500 Greenbrier St, Charleston, WV – in front of main entrance
<b>3 PM-4 PM</b>	<b>University of Charleston</b> 2300 MacCorkle Ave SE, Charleston, WV

While on the "50 Capitals Tour" the C-SPAN Bus will visit local schools in each state. Students and teachers will learn about C-SPAN's national documentary competition, [StudentCam](#). Awarding \$100,000 in prize-money, the competition challenges students to produce a 5-7 minute documentary using C-SPAN video to explore a local or national issue of importance. This year's theme is "The Constitution and You" and asks students to pick any provision of the U.S. Constitution and illustrate why it's important to them.

In Charleston, West Virginia C-SPAN programming is provided by Altice USA as a commercial-free public service and can be seen on channel 20; C-SPAN2 on channel 21 and on the web at C-SPAN.org. Additionally, Altice USA helps support C-SPAN's ongoing operations, including Bus visits.

Fans can follow the adventures of the C-SPAN Bus's "50 Capitals Tour" on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) @cspancommunity and online at [C-SPAN.org/community](#).

**About C-SPAN:** Created by the cable TV industry in 1979 and now in nearly 100 million TV households, C-SPAN programs three public affairs television networks; C-SPAN Radio, heard in Washington D.C., at 90.1 FM and available as an App; and C-SPAN.org, a video-rich website offering live coverage of government events and access to the vast archive of C-SPAN programming. C-SPAN established the C-SPAN Bus community outreach program on Nov. 2, 1993.

**About Altice USA:** Altice USA (NYSE: ATUS), the U.S. business of Altice N.V., is one of the largest broadband communications and video services providers in the United States, delivering broadband, pay television, telephony services, Wi-Fi hotspot access, proprietary content and advertising services to approximately 4.9 million residential and business customers across 21 states through its Optimum and Suddenlink brands.