



The community enjoyed a fabulous night as APS honored their teachers of the year across the division.

Announcements

The Social Studies Office is currently undergoing resource adoption. Currently the resources up for adoption can be viewed at the <https://www.apsva.us/engage/> link. Teachers are invited to provide feedback on the resources at that site. We anticipate adoption of resources in June.

The Social Studies Office is proud to announce that Michelle Cottrell-Williams, social studies teacher at Wakefield was named APS teacher of the year. She, along with school winners, was honored at an APS celebration on May 16th. Michelle presented remarks to the audience and we have [linked her speech here](#). Kudos to Michelle and all the social studies teachers who were recognized for their excellence.

APS Opportunities

Cultural Informants Needed for Global Village

Global Village offers students completing grades K-4 the opportunity to learn about the cultures of different countries. One of the highlights is bringing in our “cultural informants,” or those native to or having lived in the countries being studied. These guests are asked to share basic vocabulary with the kids (days of the week, numbers, etc.) in their native languages, and some type of interactive activity (traditional game, song, dance, story, craft, etc.) in 30-45 minute presentations. Speakers are needed during the weekdays of July 17th-25th. If you know anyone from the countries listed below who might be interested in helping us out, please forward their name and contact information to the **Social Studies Office, x6140 or diana.jordan@apsva.us**. We offer a \$150 honorarium for their planning, preparation, and presentation time. Thanks for your help! **Countries for 2017: Afghanistan, Ecuador, Eritrea, Germany, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, and Mexico.**

Resources

Digital History

Enhances US **history** teaching and research through primary sources, an online textbook, extensive reference resources, and interactive materials. The site includes a teacher section with primary sources, modules and tools for analyzing primary sources.

Registration is Open for Teaching American History's 2017-18 Webinars

TAH.org is excited to announce two 10-episode webinars series for the 2017-18 school year. Both series are free to attend, feature live, documents-based discussions between scholars with questions taken from a national audience of teachers, and all attendees to the live shows will receive a downloadable certificate worth 2 hours of continuing education time.

Saturday Webinars: Our flagship series, going into its fourth full season, these 75-minute programs each focus on a single topic, event, person, or idea. For the 17-18 school year, TAH.org presents "Moments of Crisis" – 10 events in American history and politics that challenged our people, systems, and traditions. All episodes air at 11am EST on their show date.

[Intolerable Acts](#), 26 August 2017

[Election of 1800](#), 9 September 2017

[Nullification Crisis](#), 7 October 2017

[Assassination of Abraham Lincoln](#), 18 November 2017

[Sinking of the USS *Maine*](#), 2 December 2017

[Attack on Pearl Harbor](#), 6 January 2018

[Cuban Missile Crisis](#), 3 February 2018

[Bloody Sunday in Selma](#), 3 March 2018

[Watergate](#), 7 April 2018

[Iranian Hostage Crisis](#), 12 May 2018

The 2019 Commemoration, **AMERICAN EVOLUTION™**, seeks to highlight the events of 1619 that shaped America's beginnings; the first legislative assembly in the New World, the arrival of the first Africans to English North America, the arrival of women to build community, the first official English Thanksgiving in North America and the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurialism that kept the colony thriving. The 2019 Commemoration will feature events and activities that inspire local, national and international participants to engage in the themes of democracy, diversity and opportunity, to position Virginia as a global leader in education, economic development and tourism.

<http://administration.virginia.gov/Commemoration-video/>

The 2019 Commemoration highlights the significance and modern relevance of several important events that occurred in Virginia in 1619. These events strongly influenced the development of the colony and shaped the foundation of the United States.

<http://www.americanevolution2019.com/>

<http://www.americanevolution2019.com/about/history/>

<http://www.americanevolution2019.com/education/resources-2/>

<http://www.americanevolution2019.com/events/2017-events/>

Teacher Opportunities

World Affairs Council is offering two upcoming Teacher opportunities.

Summer Institute on International Affairs for Educators

Click [HERE](#) for the application. All forms must be submitted to rchasse@worldaffairsdc.org by June 19, 2017.

Introducing the Inaugural 2017 affordable Graduate Certificate in Global Education for Educators, in collaboration with Marymount University. For questions, contact our Director of Global Education, Amanda Stamp at astamp@worldaffairsdc.org.

Summer Opportunities

"The Middle East and Islam: New Perspectives of Islamic History from the 16th Century to the Present": A Summer Institute for Grades 6-12 Educators

June 25-29, 2017 at Duke University, Durham, NC

Join us for a five-day workshop designed to introduce teachers to key themes in contemporary Islamic Studies. We will explore overviews of the Safavid and Ottoman empires and their modern counterparts in Iran and Turkey, as well as the impact of Islam in America today. Teachers will engage with scholarly texts, learn about classroom resources, and participate in experiential learning activities such as visiting a mosque. Throughout the institute, teachers will think about how to bring these themes into their classrooms and will work individually or in groups to develop curriculum/materials for classroom use. All expenses will be covered for selected participants including travel, lodging, meals, and books required for the program.

Eligibility and How to Apply: This program is open to all currently practicing educators teaching grades 6-12 who will be teaching in the next consecutive school year. Participants must complete an application in full and email it to Emma Harver at harver@email.unc.edu

Please click here for more information and to download the application form.

American Representative Government: Jamestowne to the 21st Century -July 27-29

This three-day workshop will exam how "We the People" have shaped and crafted our legislative institutions into the system we know today. Participants will work with archaeologists and historians, scholars, and shape lessons for their classrooms. The application [deadline](#) is June 2.

Virginia WWI and WWII Statewide Teacher Symposium

The Symposium, marking the 100th anniversary of WWI and the 75th anniversary of WWII, will take place in June and July of 2017 in partnership with museums from across the state. Find out more [information](#) today!

Pamplin Historical Park Teacher's Institute

This five-day Teacher's Institute, "Practical Applications for Teaching Slavery, the Civil War, and Reconstruction," will be offered from July 10 – July 14, 2017, and only costs \$199. Certificates will be presented to those that complete the program showing 30 VDOE professional development points earned. For more information on this exciting and engaging program and how to register go to their [Teacher Institute website page](#). For a copy of the flyer, [click here](#).

Virginia Historical Society Teacher Institutes

The Virginia Historical Society is pleased to announce its Weinstein Properties Story of Virginia Teachers Institutes this summer. The institutes will be held the weeks of July 10-14 and July 24-28 and are open to all teachers. Participants will explore the collections of the VHS, analyze primary sources and learn historical thinking skills. The cost is \$50, which will be refunded on successful completion of the program. Lunches and materials will be provided free of charge. [Click here](#) for more details and registration information.

Anne and Ryland Brown Teacher Research Fellowship

This opportunity provides Virginia educators the chance to research and study a specific aspect of Virginia history and produce educational resources to support the Library of Virginia's ongoing exhibition and education programs. The [award](#) includes a stipend as well as an allocation to cover conference presentations.

K-12 Institutes in Economics, Civics, and Personal Finance

The VCEE Institutes for teachers are available at no charge. Registration is now open for [late Spring and Summer sessions](#).

Conferences

2017 Virginia Conference for Social Studies Educators

Mark your calendars for this year's VCSSE conference from November 3-4, 2017 at the Richmond Marriott. The theme of this year's conference is "Uncovering the Past to Empower the Future." The Virginia Council for the Social Studies is seeking proposals that incorporate this theme into engaging and relevant presentations for educators. Click [here](#) for VCSSE Conference Flyer.

Social Studies Snapshots is intended for elementary and secondary Social Studies Staff to communicate items of importance and interest in a timely matter. If you have an item you would like to include in *Social Studies Snapshot*, please forward it to Diana Jordan (diana.jordan@apsva.us). The content of this publication comes from a variety of sources. APS is not responsible for any inaccuracies in resources provided outside the district.