

# Social Studies Snapshots

Friday, June 2, 2017



Ashlawn students create a timeline to scale (1 foot=100 years) to show how long ago Native Americans came to America.

# **Announcements**

Last night Social Studies was a topic at the School Board meeting for the following items:

- The School Board approved our annual briefing report highlighting Social Studies initiatives and progress. This Social Studies briefing report can be found <u>here</u>.
- Resources from our adoption fairs were presented to the School Board. Those resources will be voted on in mid-June.
- A project that was a joint collaboration between George Mason University and APS was shared. This project consists of eight digital modules on civil rights for use in high school classrooms. APS teachers will have access to these this fall.

# **APS Opportunities**

# Festival of the Minds Registration is Open

NOW OPEN – Festival of the Minds registration in ERO! FOM will take place at Yorktown on August 21-23. Morning, afternoon, all-day, and multi-day sessions are available. For updates and the latest on sessions being offered, check <a href="https://www.apsva.us/fom">www.apsva.us/fom</a> Below are sessions of Social Studies interest and lead by Social Studies colleagues.

- Be Seen. Be Heard. Be Brave. Modeling Vulnerability and Bravery in the Classroom
- Hyperdocs Mini Bootcamp
- Integrating Problem-Based Learning (PBL) and Career Connections into the Content Classroom
- Literacy Integration in Social Studies
- Bringing Social Studies Alive in the Elementary Classroom
- Google Sites
- Social Studies Boot Camp for HILT and Special Education Teachers
- Get Them Talking and Thinking: Structures for Critical Conversations
- Unlocking curiosity with Treasures from the Library of Congress

### **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 17<sup>th</sup>-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

<u>Iranian Hostage Crisis</u>, 12 May 2018

# **Teacher Opportunities**

Colonial Williamsburg Teacher Professional Development Fall 2017 Weekend Workshops

The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, Division of Education, Research, &Historical Interpretation, Institute for Teacher Professional Development is offering fall 2017 weekend workshops (All day on Saturday and ½ day on Sunday) for teachers. They do have some scholarships for registration for Virginia teachers. The titles are My Life, My Work, My Home, As Above, So Below, and Purposeful Play. There is more information on their website at:

http://www.history.org/history/teaching/teacherdevelopment/inservice.cfm

For more information, please contact: Tab Broyles at tbroyles@cwf.org

## World Affairs Council is offering two upcoming Teacher opportunities.

Summer Institute on International Affairs for Educators

Click <u>HERE</u> for the application. All forms must be submitted to <u>rchasse@worldaffairsdc.org</u> 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 <u>astamp@worldaffairsdc.org</u>.

# **Summer Opportunities**

# **North TIER Summer Course Registration**

The North TIER Partnership is a consortium of 13 Northern Virginia school divisions to provide online professional development opportunities for educators in the state of Virginia, the Capitol Region and beyond. These courses, which are project- and standards-based, include seven online sessions. An instructor trained and certified by EdTech Leaders Online facilitates each course, using a learning model that combines readings and videos, activities, and facilitated peer-to-peer collaborative discussions. The focal point of the sessions is online discussion and collaboration, where you can share your ideas, reflections, comments, and questions with your classmates. North TIER has partnered with Colorado State University to provide graduate credit for the technology-infused courses. (Note: Not all courses qualify for graduate credit.) Summer registration runs until June 16, courses start June 19. Visit their website for registration, pricing, and more information. <a href="http://www.northtier.org/">http://www.northtier.org/</a>

## The Army and the Technology of Warfare Colloquium

Participants in this colloquium will examine primary sources from the Army Heritage and Education Center and the Library of Congress to explore the history of government's role in shaping technology and promoting innovation. Selected teachers will work under the guidance of the colloquium team to create primary source lessons and resources and share the materials on an Open Education Resource (OER) website.

When: Thursday June 29, 2017 at 8:00 AM EDT -to- Saturday July 1, 2017 at 4:00 PM EDT

Where: Army Heritage and Education Center, 950 Soldiers Dr., Carlisle, PA 17013

**Details**: Each participant will receive a \$500 stipend to offset costs associated with attendance. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at the venue for participants on each day of the colloquium. Each attendee will receive a complimentary one-year membership to the National Council for History Education and will be eligible for additional professional growth opportunities via follow-up webinars and the annual NCHE conference.

**To apply:** Complete the online application. Applicants must be current K-12 school teachers. Applications will be accepted until the colloquium is filled. Additional applicants will be placed on a wait list. Application link. Questions should be directed to Justin Jakovac (justin@nche.net).

#### The Virginia WWI and WWII Statewide Teacher Symposiums

The Symposiums, 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. The symposiums will offer various sessions providing overviews of both wars, content for teaching WWI and WWII, and museum tours highlighting local resources that support SOL content and history and social science skills. Although the symposiums are free for Virginia educators, registration is necessary. Lunch will be provided. Attendees will receive recertification certificates.

https://www.virginiawwiandwwii.org/symposium

http://www.doe.virginia.gov/administrators/superintendents memos/2017/071-17.shtml

American Representative Government: Jamestown 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 <u>deadline</u> is June 2.

## **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.

# "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 <a href="mailto:harver@email.unc.edu">harver@email.unc.edu</a>
Please click here for more information and to download the application form.

### 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 <u>award</u> 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 <u>late Spring and Summer sessions.</u>

# **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 <a href="here">here</a> for VCSSE Conference Flyer.

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