



*4<sup>th</sup> grade students in Angela Foreman's Jamestown Elementary School class create Virginia Indian exhibits that will be sent to the Werowocomoco Museum.*

## Announcements

Secondary Social Studies teachers are reminded that countywide meetings will be held on **Wednesday, Nov. 1**. Middle school teachers will be at Kenmore and high school teachers will meet at Washington-Lee. The focus of the meeting will be on new resources. Please bring personalized devices to the meeting.

### Assistance with Canvas

In our visits to Social Studies classes throughout the county, we are seeing implementation of Canvas. To provide support for this implementation, we have created a Canvas Tips Google Site for you to add tips as you begin using Canvas in your classroom. Many thanks to Paxton Helms for providing our first set of tips. We encourage all of you to expand this tip list. Editing options work best in the Chrome browser.

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## Halloween Resources



### [Halloween Primary Sources to Shiver and Shake up your Teaching!](#)

Check out these primary sources compliments of the Library of Congress. Also check out the [Halloween: Chambers of Mystery exhibit](#).

### [Witch Hunt Simulation](#)

Check out this website which is a simulation of a witch hunt in Germany in 1628.

[Day of the Dead](#) (Día de los muertos) is a Pan-American tradition. Check out these Stone Center for Latin American Studies at Tulane University lesson plans about Day of the Dead traditions across the Americas.

## Student & Teacher Opportunities

### National History Day Topics Fair

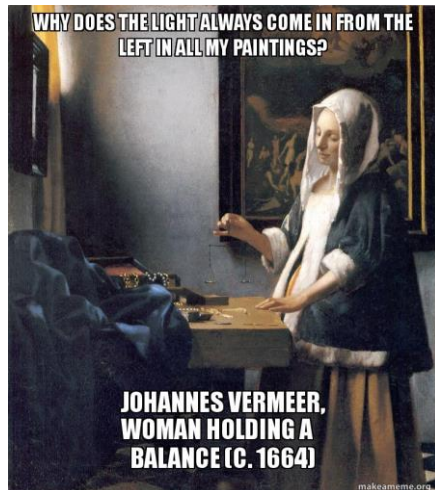
The National Archives and DC National History Day present National History Day Topics Fair on **Saturday, Oct. 28**, 11:00-2:00 at the National Archives, Washington, DC (enter at special events entrance on Constitution Ave. near 7<sup>th</sup> Street). Students, teachers and parents can learn about topics connected to the 2018 [National History Day theme: Conflict and Compromise in History](#), find primary sources and talk to representatives from area museums, archives and libraries. Questions? Contact Missy McNatt (202) 357-5121 or [missy.mcnatt@nara.gov](mailto:missy.mcnatt@nara.gov).

### [Trans-regional and Global Themes in Teaching: African, Latin American, Asian & Middle Eastern Perspectives](#) – Teacher Workshop

This professional development workshop on teaching regional and global studies in your curriculum will feature Georgetown faculty in the School of Foreign Service. Teachers will have time to network with colleagues and university faculty to support curriculum development. This free workshop will be held on **Saturday, Oct. 28**, CCAS Board Room, ICC, Georgetown University. [Click here to register to attend](#).

### [Student Debate Competition at The German Embassy](#)

Students and teachers are invited to a debate competition on **Monday, Nov. 6** from 10:00-2:00 at the German Embassy in Washington, DC. Three student speakers will discuss questions of migration (in English) as representatives of different German political parties. Students who attend will have an opportunity to vote for the best speaker and then attend an embassy reception. Please contact Stephanie Hafner ([stephanie.hafner@goethe.de](mailto:stephanie.hafner@goethe.de)) for more information, or to apply for a travel stipend for your class to attend.



### [Vermeer and the Masters of Genre Painting: Inspiration and Rivalry](#)

At the height of the Dutch Republic's economic and artistic power (1650-75), Johannes Vermeer worked within a network of Dutch painters who inspired, rivaled and aimed to surpass one another. Study paintings by Vermeer and related. Team up with colleagues and consider ways you might integrate these images into your classroom teaching. After touring the exhibition, teachers are invited to a buffet dinner with wine. This teacher workshop is on **Wednesday, Nov. 8** from 4:30-7:30 PM. [Click here to register to attend](#).

### [K-12 Workshop: Adding a Global Dimension to your classroom or school](#)

To celebrate International Education Week 2017, the U.S. Department of Education invites you to a workshop aimed at helping K-12 school administrators and teachers incorporate a global dimension into their schools and classrooms. The workshop is **Monday, Nov. 13** from 1:00-4:00 at the U.S. Department of Education Building in Washington, DC. [Click here to register to attend](#).

### [Virginia's First People](#)

This free webcast to celebrate National American Indian Heritage month for students in grades 4-6 will occur on **Tuesday, Nov. 14** from 1:00-1:30. Two Virginia professors will discuss the history, culture, geography, and language of different Virginia tribes. Check out the link for additional info.

### [Engage Your Five Senses: Cultural Exchanges from the Mediterranean to the Indian Ocean](#)

The network of maritime and overland trade routes across the Indian Ocean, Western Asia, Mediterranean Sea and their hinterlands were host to myriad cultural exchanges over many centuries. This Middle East Outreach Council teacher workshop will explore ways of experiencing and teaching about these cultural exchanges through the Five Senses. It will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 18**, 9:00-4:00 at the Sultan Qaboos Cultural Center, 1100 16<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Washington, DC. A visit to the Freer Gallery of Art's Islamic collection and lunch are included. [Click here to register to attend](#).

### [Turkey: From the Ottoman Empire to Contemporary History and Politics](#)

This free all day workshop for teachers will be held at Duke University on **Saturday, Dec. 2** and free lodging scholarships are available. This program is presented by the Duke Islamic Studies Center with support from Qatar Foundation International and the Duke-UNC Consortium for Middle East Studies. Recommended for teachers of grades 6-12, the workshop will explore the history, architecture, art and cuisine of the Ottoman Empire/Turkey with a visit to an exhibit of Turkish political cartoons. Space is limited so register soon.

### [Global Education Allies Educational Leadership Tour to Finland](#)

Educators are invited to Finland in **May 2018** to explore the educational system that has astounded many with its top performing scores, yet boasts an approach to schooling that some call “unorthodox” with its high level of trust, no standardized tests until age 18, shorter school days and minimal pressure to perform. This program includes visits and panel discussions at several schools and administrative offices at all levels of the Finnish education system. The application deadline is **Monday, Jan. 15, 2018**. [Click here to apply](#).

### [Global Education Allies Professional Development Tour of East Africa](#)

In June and July of 2018, GEA is taking interested educators to East Africa. Educators participating in these tours will have the opportunity to participate in unique educational experiences involving GEA’s East African partners. You can select a program that fits your educational interests and as an option, add on an immersion and/or safari tour. Program I goes to Rwanda, June 23-30 and Program II goes to Uganda, July 7-14. The application deadline is **Monday, Jan. 15, 2018**. [Click here to apply](#).

### [TOP Summer Study Tour to Germany for Social Studies Teachers](#)



Since 2002, the Transatlantic Outreach Program (TOP) has been offering summer study tours to Germany for Social Studies teachers. All expenses are paid—all you have to do is conduct a workshop at your school or within your department and write a lesson plan upon your return. They offer 4 different dates throughout the summer (2018 dates: June 1-16, June 15-30, June 29-July 14 and July 13-28) and each study tour goes to Berlin. The purpose is to expose Social Studies teachers to contemporary German history, culture, society, politics, the economy and education system. You do not have to speak or know German. The application deadline is **Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2018**. [Click here to download the application](#). This short [YouTube video](#) provides additional info. about TOP.

### [Strong Men and Women in Virginia History Writing Contest](#)

The Library of Virginia in collaboration with Dominion Energy presents the Strong Men and Women in Virginia History program. This program honors African American leaders and their achievements. High school students are invited to participate in this annual essay contest. Four winning essays will be chosen from the four regions in Virginia that Dominion Energy serves. Deadline for submission is **Friday, Nov. 10**.



### [Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange & Study \(YES\) Abroad](#)

This program provides merit-based scholarships for high school students to spend an academic year studying and living abroad. Selected participants attend a high school while living with a host family in select countries with significant Muslim populations. You must be a U.S. citizen, age 15-18 at the start of the program. Applications for the 2018-19 school year are due **Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2017**.

### [Lights, Camera, Save Video Contest](#)

This Burke & Herbert Bank contest, organized by the American Bankers Association Foundation, is a national competition that encourages teens to use video to communicate the value of saving money and inspire their peers to become lifelong savers. To participate, students ages 13-18 must create a video (90 seconds or less) on saving and using money wisely and submit a link to the video along with a completed entry form by **Friday, Dec. 1**. The top 3 local winners will get \$350, \$100 and \$50 respectively.

## **Trainings & Courses**

[Global Competence Certificate](#) is an online graduate certificate program with courses that focus on teaching and learning as related to global competence and includes summer travel to a fieldwork destination.

## [Teaching Historical Inquiry with Objects](#)

This free online self-paced course gives teachers new techniques to engage and motivate students with an inquiry based approach to learning. It brings together the new Framework for Social Studies with the Smithsonian's hands-on, museum-based educational techniques that bring historical artifacts to life.

## [TESOL Certificate Program to Improve Instruction for English Learners](#)

This certificate program is a partnership between George Washington University's Graduate School of Education and Human Development and the Virginia Department of Education. You can earn a tuition-free graduate certificate in Teaching English Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). Online professional learning and in-person institutes bring together teachers in different schools and content areas. The program begins in January 2018. For inquiries, contact Patricia DiCerbo ([pdicerbo@gwu.edu](mailto:pdicerbo@gwu.edu), (202) 994-1164).

## [Freedoms Foundation 2018 Graduate Programs for Social Studies Teachers](#)

For more than 50 years, Freedoms Foundation has presented critically acclaimed, accredited graduate courses for teachers. Summer 2018 programs present a variety of experiences that focus on character-building and developing responsible citizens through the study of history and the social sciences. Each program provides educators with an interactive, collaborative and enriching learning experience. Located at Valley Forge National Park, they offer several different seminars and history workshops, with graduate credit available from LaSalle University. Scholarships are also available. [Check out the brochure here.](#)

# Conferences

## [Virginia Council for the Social Studies Conference](#)

"Uncovering the Past to Empower the Future" is the theme for the 51st Annual Conference of Virginia Social Studies Educators, **Nov. 3-4, 2017** at the Richmond Marriott Hotel, Richmond, Virginia.

[The National Council for History Education](#) National Conference, San Antonio, Texas, April 19-21.



## Off the Beaten Path

150 years ago today on Oct. 27, 1867, Giuseppe Garibaldi marched on Rome for the second time in his quest to complete the unification of Italy.

### [President Woodrow Wilson House](#)

The President Woodrow Wilson House nestled in Embassy Row in Washington, DC was the home of the former president from 1921 until his death in 1924. It is open for one hour guided tours from 10:00-4:00, Wednesdays to Sundays from March-December.



### [Fallingwater](#) and [Pope-Leighey House](#)

2017 celebrates the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of [Frank Lloyd Wright's birth](#). Consider visiting his nearby architectural masterpieces: The Pope-Leighey House in Alexandria, Virginia

and Fallingwater in Mill Run, Pennsylvania (approx. 3 1/2 hours from N. Virginia). Check out the links!

[Kids Euro Festival](#), Oct. 21-Nov. 5, is one of the largest performing arts festivals for children in America, bringing Europe's most talented children entertainers to the Washington, DC metro area. It includes free performances, concerts, workshops, movies, storytelling, puppetry and magic.