

Social Studies Snapshots

Friday, March 9, 2018



Senator Tim Kaine holds a listening session with AP Gov and Sociology students at Wakefield High School who share their concerns on a wide range of issues including gun violence.

Announcements

Curriculum Work Opportunities

This summer, the Social Studies Office will be revising our K-12 curriculum to align with the new district curriculum template developed last year and to fully integrate the 2015 standards. Details about the curriculum work and a sign up link is available here. We hope that many of our great teachers will sign up to work on this project.

Summer School Positions Open

The Social Studies Office is beginning to plan for summer school. We will be offering a four-week elementary <u>Global Village Summit</u>, If you are interested in teaching at Global Village, applications are on the <u>APS Website</u>. Questions should be directed to Diana Jordan (<u>diana.jordan@apsva.us</u>).

Resources

Google Read&Write Extension for Chrome Browser

Google's Read&Write literacy software makes the web, documents, and files more accessible— any time, any place, and on any device. From reading on-screen text aloud, to text translation, to highlighting, to annotating, to research, this tool makes everyday tasks related to reading and writing a bit easier. The ATSS Office purchased a district license, so if you think your students might benefit from this software extension, click here for installation directions.

<u>All Sides.com</u> is a free news service focus major news stories as reported by conservative, liberal and centrist articles. There are various tools included to check media bias and for students to evaluate their own bias and see current issues for multiple perspectives.

Student & Teacher Opportunities

2018 Fourth Circuit Essay Contest

How has the 14th Amendment impacted education in the 150 years since it was ratified, and what impact will likely have in the future? The essay contest is open to students currently in grades 9 through 12 from Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia. Submission deadline is April 15th.

2018 Stratford Hall Summer Teacher Institute- July 25 - 28

The annual residential opportunity for educators is located on the grounds of Stratford Hall in Westmoreland County. This Institute will focus on the realities and impact of slavery in Virginia. Registration is now open.

Duke University Summer Institute for Educators - June 24-29

During the *Dimensions of the Middle East: Foundations, Cultures, and Geopolitics* workshop participants will explore various facets to enhance historical, political, and cultural knowledge of the region. See <u>Duke University</u> for information and registration.

Christopher Newport's Center for American Studies Workshop - July 19-July 21

The *American Representative Government: Jamestowne to the 21st Century* workshop exams how "We the People" shaped our legislative institutions into the system we know today. Teachers will work with scholars, archaeologists, historians, and shape lessons for their classroom. <u>Register by June 1</u>.

Week-Long Summer Teacher Program - Ford's Theater

<u>Civil War Washington Program:</u> Explore the nation's capital as President Lincoln would have known it during the Civil War, in this week-long summer teacher program for 3rd- through 12th-grade teachers. The <u>Seat of War and Peace Program</u>: Examine how the Civil War and Reconstruction have been remembered across time through the study of our nation's capital's monuments and memorials, in this week-long summer teacher program for 3rd- through 12th grade teachers. Application **deadline is April 2, 2018.** Mary Beth Donnelly from Swanson participated in this program multiple years and is glad to answer questions.

2018 Teachers Institute: In the Midst of War - American Civil War Museum

What actions did enslaved people take to shape the war? Why did women break the bonds of social convention to become nurses? Where did soldiers' dreams take them as they slept miles from home? How did people respond when the battlefield and the home front collided? This institute will explore the multifaceted experiences of individuals as they attempted to carry on their lives in the midst of war. Teachers will receive specially designed curriculum resources, utilizing copies of primary source documents that will make a hands-on approach to history possible. Institute dates: July 9-13, 2018

<u>Civil War 101 Teachers Institute – American Civil War Museum</u>

This three-day institute examines the compromises and controversies leading up to the American Civil War; provides an overview of the war itself and its effect on the home front; delves into the challenges wartime presidents Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis faced; and explores the outcomes of the Civil War, providing a framework for understanding Reconstruction and the legacies of the war. Institute dates: July 18 - 20, 2018

2018-19 New Perspectives Teaching Fellowship – Street Law

Twenty-five teachers will be awarded this fellowship to master the use of deliberative discussion to build positive relationships across differences. Fellows will join Street Law staff and experts for a three-day collaborative workshop during the summer of 2018, and then conduct four deliberations with students during the 2018-19 school year. Two of those deliberations will include adults from their local community. The one-year fellowship includes: Tuition and travel-expense-paid participation in a collaborative Training Institute in Silver Spring, MD, July 17-19, 2018, A \$500 stipend, 25 contact hours of professional development (Street Law will support requests for professional learning credits with your school or district). Application deadline: **April 9**

Civil War Trust Annual Teacher Institute

July 12-15, 2018, Radisson Hotel Valley Forge, King of Prussia, PA

The annual National Teacher Institute brings together educators from all over the world. This four-day event includes workshops, lectures, and tours from some of the leading experts in the history and education fields. Educators will be immersed in a friendly, fun, and engaging learning environment, where they will be able to network with other educators while learning new and innovative teaching methods. This event is free but does require a \$100, refundable, deposit be placed to reserve your spot. At the conclusion of the event, educators can apply for continuing education credits, provided by Virginia Tech University.

Teaching with WWI-Related Primary Sources - Library of Congress

This spring, the Library of Congress will host two free, one-day workshops for K-12 educators interested in incorporating WWI-related primary sources into their classroom instruction.

In each session, Library of Congress education specialists will model a variety of strategies for using primary sources to engage students, build critical thinking skills, and construct knowledge. Through a series of inquiry-based classroom activities, participants will work with historic photographs, prints, manuscripts, maps, multimedia, and other resources from the Library's collections. All of these items are digitized and freely available online for teachers to use with their students after the session. Certificates are available for teachers completing the workshop. Sessions are Tuesday, March 27, 2018, and Thursday, April 5, 2018 Each session will run from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm; building opens at 8:30 am. at Library of Congress; Washington, D.C. Register online here! Apply now, as space is limited. Questions? Please contact teachinglesummer@loc.gov

Conferences

Agents of Change Conference

A Youth Leadership Conference October 12—14, 2018 in Williamsburg. Agents of Change is an educational conference, bringing together high school teachers and students from across Virginia to focus on leadership, service and civic responsibility. Students will be inspired to take action by developing projects to improve their community. Online application is available at https://www.historyisfun.org/agents-of-change and must be received by April 15, 2018.

Call for Proposals for Virginia Conference for Social Studies Educators Conference

November 2-3, 2018

Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center

The theme of this year's conference is "Harmonizing the Human Experience." The Virginia Council for the Social Studies is seeking proposals that incorporate this theme into engaging and thought provoking presentations for educators at all levels. Interpretations of the theme might include:

- How can we weave the humanities and arts into our social studies instruction?
- How do we guide students to see history through multiple perspectives?
- How do we support and enrich learners at all levels with unique strengths and needs?
- How are we integrating social studies into other content areas?
- How do we teach both skills and content in a harmonious way?

The length of each session is 50 minutes. Proposals are due by April 21, 2018.

The following Google Doc link

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yDZOvUcjJOOJL8aF6PT_ajKTwDO5TTiNvIXgCxXOLFc/edit

provides all summer programs/professional development opportunities that are still available to apply for. Typically, we announce and keep an opportunity in Social Studies Snapshots for two editions. You can also find older editions of Social Studies Snapshots available on the APS Social Studies website (linked here).

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