

ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS: Civic Engagement Initiative Teacher Workshop
Category: For Your Information

Audience: Principals/APs (Elementary), Principals/APs (Middle), All Teachers

Due Date: Sep 10, 2009

Meeting Date: Sep 18, 2009

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The Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills will be implementing the Civic Engagement Initiative in select elementary and middle schools during the 2009-10 school year. The purpose of the program is to promote civic participation among students.

The **Civic Engagement Initiative** utilizes quality civic education curricula and teaching strategies to help prevent students from becoming involved in anti-social or violent activities.

- The program focuses on respect for authority and the law, tolerance for the ideas of others, and civic virtue.
- The program is limited to 4th and 5th grade elementary teachers and 6th, 7th, and 8th grade social studies teachers.
- All curricular materials will be provided free of charge to schools.
- Participants are required to attend 8 teacher training workshops on Saturdays throughout the 2009-10 school year. The dates for the workshops are: 9/18/09 (Friday- substitute coverage will be provided on this date), 9/19/09, 10/10/09, 11/14/09, 12/12/09, 1/9/10, 2/6/10, and 3/13/10.
- Teachers **must attend** all 8 workshops and complete all the required work in order to receive the 32 Master Plan Points that will be awarded with this program.
- Teachers selected to participate in the program must agree to provide between 60-80 hours of instruction, using the program's curricular materials, throughout the 2009-10 school year.
- Dates for the initial two-day training are September 18-19, 2009.
- Location: Hilton Miami Airport Hilton, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL.
- Teachers must complete the attached application and send it via FAX to 305 995-1492 by September 10, 2009.
- Teachers selected to participate in the Civic Engagement Initiative will be **notified** by e-mail no later than Monday, September 14, 2009.
- Upon acceptance, teachers will be **required to register** through the Professional Development Menu and Registration System in order to obtain full Master Plan Points.
- **Only teachers notified of their approved participation will be admitted to the two-day workshop.**

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