

ALL PRINCIPALS/APs/TEACHERS: Social Sciences- Fall 2015 Teacher Planning Day Professional Development Opportunities

Category: For Your Information

Audience: All Principals/APs, All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

To announce professional development opportunities for elementary, middle, and senior high school Social Science teachers during teacher planning days for Fall 2015.

- The Department of Social Sciences is offering professional development opportunities for elementary, middle, and senior high school Social Science teachers on the following teacher planning days: September 14, September 23, and October 30, 2015. See details below for workshop descriptions, locations, and registration procedures.
- Each session is designed to model best and rigorous instructional practices in Social Sciences at all levels in order to increase student achievement.
- The following guiding questions will drive the professional development experience in each session:
- **GUIDING QUESTIONS:**
 - What are the literacy shifts in the Florida Standards and how can Social Science content be used to master complex text?
 - What are instructional best practices in Social Sciences that help me to improve student achievement?
 - How can Social Sciences' pacing guides and instructional resources help me to plan effective instruction?
 - What role does student data play in helping me to plan effective and rigorous instructional activities?
- **Locations:**
 - September 14, 2015: Miami Lakes Education Center- 5780 NW 158 Street, Miami Lakes, Florida 33014;
 - September 23 ,2015: Coral Gables Senior High School- 450 Bird Road, Coral Gables, Florida 33146; and
 - October 30, 2015: Felix Varela Senior High School- 15255 SW 96th Street, Miami, Florida 33196.
- Each training date is open to the following groups of teachers:
 - Elementary School Social Science Teachers- 60 participants*
 - Middle School Social Science Teachers- 60 participants*
 - Senior High School Social Science Teachers- 60 participants*
 - ***Only ONE teacher per school site may register.**
- To register, please log in to the MyLearningPlan professional development registration system through the Employee Portal and search for one of the following course/session titles:
 - Social Sciences Best Practices- Elementary Schools (select desired date: September 14, 23 or October 30);
 - Social Science Best Practices Middle School (select desired date: September 14, 23 or October 30); or
 - Social Science Best Practices Senior High School (select desired date: September 14, 23 or October 30);
- **Please note: If a teacher is opting due to religious observances on September 14 and September 23, they should register for the October 30 session.**
- Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net, or see the contact information below.

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