To announce the annual Miami-Dade Council for the Social Studies Conference, February 16, 2016 and provide application information for the Council's Teacher and Student of the Year.

- The Miami-Dade Council for the Social Studies (MDCSS) is hosting a conference on February 16, 2016 at Miami Springs SHS, 751 Dove Ave. Miami Springs, Florida 33166.
- Participants should report to the school’s auditorium by 8:00 a.m. for the opening session.
- This is a professional development day; therefore, no substitute coverage is needed. However, all participants must have the approval of their principal to attend. It is up to each participant to secure approval accordingly.
- The conference is open to all social studies teachers. All participants must pay a fee of $20.00 which will include automatic MDCSS membership. Please complete the attached membership form and send it to the indicated individual and address.
- Checks must be RECEIVED by January 28, 2016 or participants will have to pay onsite on the day of the conference. Please make all attempts to register and send payment to facilitate the registration process.
- PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS A SEPARATE REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR EARNING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN POINTS.
- Participants will receive valuable pedagogical and content information regarding teaching social studies and 7 Master Plan Points. Please note: a follow up assignment, which will is attached to the course through MyLearningPlan is required to earn MPP.
- If you would like to present at the conference, please see the "Conference Presentation" form attached. The deadline to submit the "Conference Presentation" form is January 28, 2016. Please follow the instructions carefully regarding submission of the form.
- Please regularly visit the conference page here [http://mdcss.wikispaces.com/conference](http://mdcss.wikispaces.com/conference) for updated information, conference forms, and other conference details. Please regularly check e-mail for updates and registration requirements.
- Information and forms are also available at the Department of Social Sciences website: [http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net](http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net).
- Should you require additional information or have questions, please contact Mr. John Burkowski Jr., Vice- President of Membership, MDCSS, jburk@dadeschools.net. Please direct all inquiries to Mr. Burkowski accordingly.
- Applications for Miami-Dade Council for the Social Studies Teacher and Student of the Year are posted on the Department of Social Sciences website, [http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net](http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net), under the tab "Miami-Dade Council for the Social Studies." Please see applications and due dates on the forms accordingly.