ALL PRINCIPALS/APs: Social Sciences- Request for Volunteers to Serve as Advocates for Various Curricular Mandates as Prescribed by the Florida State Legislature

Category: Required Action

Audience: All Principals/APs
Due Date: Sep 20, 2019
Meeting Date: n/a

To attain school site volunteers to serve as advocates for various curricular mandates as prescribed by the Florida State Legislature.

- The Division of Academics, Department of Social Sciences is requiring all schools to provide the names of school site volunteers to serve as advocates for various curricular mandates as prescribed by the Florida State Legislature.
- For additional information regarding required instruction as stated in Florida Statutes § 1003.42, click HERE. Note: these requirements are also included in the District’s Student Progression Plan.
- In order to ensure that schools are in compliance with meeting the required instruction for African-American History, Hispanic Contributions to the United States, Holocaust Education, and Women’s Contributions to the United States, as stated in Florida Statutes § 1003.42, principals or a designee are required to provide the names of individuals who will serve as the school’s advocate to support instruction and activities accordingly.
- The intent of the statutes and the requirement as stated in the Student Progression Plan is to support instruction not only during particular days or a particular month that highlight various histories and contributions but to encourage appropriate instructional support throughout the academic year.
- Advocates will be placed on email distributions lists in order to have a point person at each school to support instruction. All schools are expected to provide names accordingly. It is the expectation that the advocate will share pertinent information with the appropriate teachers and administrators at their schools. Additional responsibilities may include:
  - Attending and/or promoting professional development opportunities that may become available;
  - Encouraging appropriate academic activities throughout the academic year and during special commemoration opportunities;
  - Sharing information distributed from the Department of Social Sciences with school site instructional staff;
  - Spearheading school-site social media campaigns highlighting school-site academic activities related to these initiatives; and
  - Completing the brief implementation plan survey (see more information below).
- Principals or school-site designees are asked to provide the names of the volunteers by accessing the following links. A few brief questions are included in each link for schools to provide information about how they plan to support instructional efforts to ensure compliance with Florida Statutes § 1003.42.
  - African-American History Advocate: Click HERE.
- Hispanic Contributions the United States Advocate: Click [HERE](#).
- Holocaust Education Advocate: Click [HERE](#).
- Women’s Contributions to the United States Advocate: Click [HERE](#).

- Please submit the advocates’ names and complete each survey in its entirety on or before September 20, 2019.
- Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, [rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net](mailto:rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net), or see the contact information below.

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