

ALL ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS/APs/TEACHERS: Social Sciences- Social Studies Academy for Elementary Teachers, Grades K-5

*Category: Professional Development*

**Audience:** Principals/APs (Elementary)

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

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To announce the availability of a professional development opportunity for Elementary Social Studies teachers.

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- The Division of Academics, Department of Social Sciences is offering a Social Studies Academy for Elementary Teachers, Grades K-5.
- The academy is designed to deepen the professional knowledge of elementary educators in support of meaningful and engaging social studies instruction. Academy content includes the following topics:
  - Publisher’s training on the adopted social studies instructional resources;
  - Teaching with various instructional resources available through the Department of Social Sciences Website (free resources);
  - Support of literacy through social studies instruction;
  - Enriching social studies instruction through connections with art and music; and
  - Enhancing the school’s social studies program through competitions, contests and community resources.
  - Building a base of Civics knowledge at the elementary level.
  - The Academy will be divided into two cohorts: a K-2 academy and a 3-5 academy to be able to provide more specific and grade-level appropriate best practices accordingly.
- Details regarding the Social Studies Academy for Elementary Teachers, Grades K-2 and 3-5, are as follows:
  - **Meeting dates:**
    - Thursday and Friday, October 4 and October 5, 2018;
    - Friday, November 2, 2018;
    - Thursday, December 20, 2018;
    - Friday, January 11, 2019; and
    - Friday, February 8, 2019.
  - **Substitute funding** will be provided for all six days.
  - **Location:** Miami Dade College North Campus 11380 NW 27 Avenue, Miami, FL 33167.
  - Master Plan Points: Participating teachers will be eligible to receive **37** Master Plan Points (MPPs) contingent upon attendance and participation of six full days, completion of all follow-up activities, and completion of required evaluation in MyLearningPlan. Please note that partial credit is not issued; therefore, teachers who miss any contact hours will not be eligible to receive MPPs.
  - **Registration:** Interested teachers should complete a brief registration via this link: <http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net/forms/K-5%20Academy%20Registration%20form.asp>
  - The Department of Social Sciences (DOSS) will register participating teachers in

MyLearningPlan manually. Teachers will receive an email from DOSS staff prior to the first meeting with parking instructions, room information, etc.

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