The Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills is sponsoring a Project Citizen training for 7th grade and 12th grade social studies teachers on Saturday, October 16, 2010. Teachers are required to submit a Project Citizen portfolio by April 6, 2011.

- This workshop is designed to prepare interested teachers for participation in Project Citizen, a civic education program and portfolio competition developed by the Center for Civic Education.
- Training is open to all 7th and 12th grade social studies teachers.
- The Project Citizen program focuses on the following:
  - the role of local and state government;
  - the importance of becoming actively involved in one's community;
  - the process of shaping public policy;
  - cooperative decision-making skills;
  - creating a hands-on class portfolio that focuses on an issue or problem in the student's community, and;
  - developing an action plan to implement a solution to the problem.
- The Project Citizen program complements the Social Studies' Next Generation Sunshine State Standards for the required 7th grade Civics course and 12th grade U.S. Government course.
- Teachers who agree to participate in the program and complete the requirements will receive free curricular materials and 18 Master Plan Points.
- Teachers who agree to participate in the teacher training workshop are making a commitment to complete all program requirements, including the submission of a class portfolio by April 6, 2011 and attend the District's Project Citizen Student Showcase on April 27, 2011.
- This professional development opportunity is limited to 20 participants.
- Interested teachers must register for the course through the Professional Development Menu and Registration System by searching for the course under instructor, "Brazofsky, Robert" and the course titled: "Project Citizen Training."
- The Project Citizen teacher training is scheduled as follows:
  - Date: Saturday, October 16, 2010
  - Time: 9:00am-3:30pm
  - Location: Miami Dade College North 11380 NW 27 Avenue, Room A 102 of the Science Building.
- All program requirements and additional dates will be distributed at the October 16, 2010 training date.
- For additional information regarding this program and trainings, please e-mail rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net, or see the contact information below.

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