

ALL ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS/AP'S/TEACHERS: Social Studies-5th Grade American History Grant Professional Development

Category:

Audience: Principals/APs (Elementary), All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

Attachment(s): [Registration form TEACH AMERICAN HISTORY GRANT 5th grade cohort.doc](#)

The Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills has received a Teaching American History Grant from the U.S. Department of Education to provide a cohort of 30 5th grade teachers with professional development in American history content and pedagogy.

- The following details regarding this professional development opportunity must be noted:
- Participation is voluntary.
- Priority access to this program will be given to teachers who work in schools that have NOT met Adequate Yearly Progress.
- Teachers participating in the cohort **must** attend all 7 days workshops.
- Teachers participating in the cohort **must** attend a 5 day summer institute
- Participating teachers **must** currently teach American history, the required social studies curriculum, to at least one group of 5th grade students.
- Participating teachers **must** be willing to take a pre and post test regarding their knowledge of American history and administer a pre and post test to their students as well. Results of said measurements will be used for purposes of evaluating the effectiveness of the professional development experience **only**.
- Participating teachers will earn a total of 50 Master Plan Points for the trainings taking place throughout the school year AND 30 Master Plan Points for the one-week summer institute; receive valuable content knowledge and instructional strategies and resources provided by Florida International University faculty from the department of History and the College of Education and attend training on how to use Learners Online Web lessons to supplement their teaching of American History.
- Participating teachers will be provided with substitute coverage for any workshops that take place during the work week and a \$100.00 stipend for workshops that take place on Saturdays. Teachers will also be paid \$100.00 stipend for each day of the one-week summer institute.
- The dates of the professional development sessions are as follows:
 - Saturday, September 17, 2011, FIU training*
 - Tuesday, September 27, 2011, Web Lesson training*
 - Saturday, October 15, 2011, FIU training*
 - Saturday, November 19, 2011, FIU training*
 - Saturday, January 28, 2012, FIU training*
 - Saturday, April 14, 2012, FIU training*
 - Saturday, May 5, 2012, FIU training*
 - Summer 2012 One-Week Institute Dates- To Be Determined Later
 - *(All Saturday trainings and the one-week summer institute will be held at FIU's main campus; specific room TBD, and the remaining training locations are TBD).
- **Teachers interested in participating in the Teaching American History Grant 5th Grade Cohort should complete the attached application and sent it via FAX to Mr. Robert C. Brazofsky, Supervisor, Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills, at 305-995-1492 by no later than June 10, 2011. No cover page is needed. Candidates will be notified via e-mail as to their acceptance into the program by Tuesday, June 14, 2011.** If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Mr. Brazofsky at the number listed below or via e-mail at rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net.
- **Please note: If you have participated in this professional development opportunity through this grant in the past, you are not eligible to participate during the 2011-2012 academic year.**

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