

ALL PRINCIPALS/APS/ALL TEACHERS: Social Studies - Teaching American History Grant Intensive Study Cohort 2009-2010

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**Audience:** All Principals/APs, All Teachers

Due Date: Jun 12, 2009

Meeting Date: Sep 28, 2009

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**Attachment(s):** [IntensiveStudyCohortApplication.pdf](#)

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- 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 American history teachers with professional development concentrating on content and innovative instructional strategies.
- Please note the following details regarding this professional development opportunity:
  - Participation is voluntary.
  - Teachers participating in the cohort **must** attend all 13 days of workshops.
  - Participating teachers **MUST** currently teach at least one section of 5<sup>th</sup> grade U.S. History, 8<sup>th</sup> grade U.S. History, or 11<sup>th</sup> grade American History.
  - 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 **MUST** be willing to recruit a teacher at their school site to administer a pre and post test to students to establish a control group for grant evaluation purposes as well.
  - Participating teachers will earn a total of 60 Master Plan Points; receive valuable content knowledge and instructional strategies and resources provided by the American Institute for History Education (AIHE), a nationally recognized organization in the field of American history; and, 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 the workshops that take place during the work week and a \$100.00 stipend for workshops that take place on Saturdays. (\$500.00 for all five Saturdays)
  - The dates of the workshops are as follows:
  - Monday, September 28, 2009: Orientation & Learning Village/Riverdeep Teacher-Based Web Lesson Plan Training (location: North Central Regional Center, 1080 LaBaron Drive, Room # 7, Miami Springs, FL);
  - Friday, October 9, 2009: Web Lesson Student-Based Training (location: North Central Regional Center, 1080 LaBaron Drive, Room # 7, Miami Springs, FL);
  - Friday, October 30 and Saturday, October 31, 2009: AIHE Training (location: Miami Airport Hilton Hotel, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL);
  - Friday, November 13 and Saturday, November 14, 2009: AIHE Training (location: Miami Airport Hilton Hotel, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL);

- Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12, 2009: AIHE Training (location: Miami Airport Hilton Hotel, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL);
- Friday, January 22 and Saturday, January 23, 2010: AIHE Training (location: Miami Airport Hilton Hotel, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL);
- Friday, April 16 and Saturday, April 17, 2010: AIHE Training (location: Miami Airport Hilton Hotel, 5101 Blue Lagoon Drive, Miami, FL); and
- Saturday, May 7, 2010: Web lessons Historical Thinking Training (The English Center, 3501 S.W. 28 Street, Room: Library-Media Center, Miami, FL).

**Teachers interested in participating in the Teaching American History Grant Intensive Study Cohort should complete the attached application and send it via FAX to Dr. Thomas J. Calvey, Teaching American History (TAH) Federal Grant Program Coordinator, Division of Social Sciences and Life Skills, at 305-995-1492 by no later than June 12, 2009. Candidates will be notified via e-mail as to their acceptance into the program by Monday, June 22, 2009.** If you have questions or need additional information, you may contact Dr. Thomas J. Calvey at the number listed below or via e-mail: [TJCalvey@dadeschools.net](mailto:TJCalvey@dadeschools.net).

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