

ALL SECONDARY PRINCIPALS/AP'S/TEACHERS: Social Studies- Teaching American History Grant Intensive Study Cohort

**Category:**

**Audience:** Principals/APs (Middle), Principals/APs (Senior High), All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

**Attachment(s):** [APPLICATION FOR TEACH AMERICAN HISTORY GRANT.docx](#)

To announce training dates for the 2012-2013 Teaching American History Grant Intensive Study Cohort for 8th grade and 11th grade U.S. History teachers and explain the application process.

- 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 history 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 been identified as in need of assistance in terms of student performance measures.
  - Teachers participating in the cohort **must** attend all 11 days of workshops.
  - Participating teachers **must** currently teach at least one section of 8<sup>th</sup> grade U.S. History or 11<sup>th</sup> grade U.S. 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. This teacher will be compensated \$100 for taking the teacher pre- and post-test and administering the student pre- and post-test.
  - 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; 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.
- The dates of the professional development sessions are as follows:
  - Friday/Saturday, September 21 & 22, 2012, AIHE training\*
  - Friday/Saturday, October 12 & 13, 2012, AIHE training\*
  - Friday/Saturday, November 2 & 3, 2012, AIHE training\*
  - Friday/Saturday, December 14 & 15, 2012, AIHE training\*
  - Friday/Saturday, January 25 & 26, 2013, AIHE training\*
  - Friday, May 3, 2013, Lesson Plan Writing training\*
- **Teachers interested in participating in the Teaching American History Grant Intensive Study cohort should complete the attached application and send it via FAX to Ms. Jackie Viana Teaching American History Grant Coordinator, by August 30, 2012. Candidates will be notified via e-mail as to their acceptance into the program by Thursday, September 6, 2012.**
- Once participants have been accepted, further information will be forwarded regarding how to sign up for the course and the location of trainings.
- If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Ms. Jackie Viana at the number listed below or via e-mail at [Jviana@dadeschools.net](mailto:Jviana@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 2012-2013 academic year.**

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