



National History Day Teachers Engage in Webinar Series Using Library of Congress Resources to Develop a Historical Argument

College Park, Maryland – October 26, 2023 – [National History Day](#)® (NHD) is proud to announce the teachers selected to participate in NHD’s fall 2023 professional development program. This course uses online Library of Congress resources to develop and support historical arguments. It is a feature of NHD’s membership in the Library of Congress Teaching with Primary Sources (TPS) Consortium in partnership with the TPS Regional Grant Program.

The teachers chosen for this honor represent 48 of NHD’s 58 affiliates across the country and around the world. [NHD affiliates](#) include all 50 states and the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and international schools.

“The skills and strategies these educators are developing through this series will benefit their students throughout their academic and professional careers,” said National History Day Executive Director Dr. Cathy Gorn. “As a Library of Congress TPS Consortium member, NHD is incredibly fortunate to offer this opportunity to engage NHD teachers and coordinators with the vast resources of the Library of Congress using resources developed in partnership with the Library of Congress.”

Since August, these educators have worked with their peers nationwide and National History Day staff to build knowledge for teaching with online Library of Congress resources. When the series is complete, these educators will have demonstrated the ability to share key strategies for researching, supporting, and presenting historical arguments bolstered by primary sources held by the Library of Congress.

The educators participating in the series include:

Alabama	Mrs. Sarah Woltring, S.S. Murphy High School, Mobile, Alabama +
Alaska	Ms. Leanna Williams, National History Day in Alaska, Fairbanks, Alaska *
American Samoa	Ms. Latalata Samuelu, Leone High School, Pago Pago, American Samoa *
Arizona	Mrs. Allison Avery, Arizona Historical Society, Tempe, Arizona * Mr. Steven Bain, Higley High School, Gilbert, Arizona * Mrs. Donna Gustafson, Santan Junior High School, Chandler, Arizona * Mrs. Mary Hall, Northwest Christian School, Phoenix, Arizona * Ms. Jenny Pennington, Arizona Historical Society, Yuma, Arizona * Dr. Kristen Rex, Arizona Historical Society, Tucson, Arizona * Mr. Jeron Velasco, Dishchii'bikoh Community School, Cibecue, Arizona *
Arkansas	Mrs. Lisa Sabir, Pinnacle View Middle School, Little Rock, Arkansas + Mrs. Erin Valentine, Washington Junior High School, Bentonville, Arkansas +

California	Mrs. Leslie Bushong, University of California Riverside, Riverside, California * Ms. Heather Castle, Chandler School, Pasadena, California * Ms. Alexis Guzman, Hillcrest High School, Riverside, California * Ms. Amanda Kamlet, Santa Barbara Middle School, Santa Barbara, California * Mr. Korey Santor, Newman-Crows Landing School District, Newman, California *
Colorado	Mrs. Lindsey Gomez, Pleasant View Middle, Pueblo, Colorado * Mrs. Lisa Norton, Casey Middle School, Boulder, Colorado *
Connecticut	Ms. Nancy Barlow, Westside Middle School Academy, Danbury, Connecticut ~ Mrs. Lynn Ouellet, Ellington High School, Ellington, Connecticut ~
Delaware	Mrs. Renatae Burton, Campus Community School, Dover, Delaware ~
Florida	Mrs. Morgan Briggs, Literacy Leadership Technology Academy South Bay, Ruskin, Florida ~ Mrs. Kristy Brown, Allen D. Nease High School, Ponte Vedra, Florida ~ Mrs. Brittany Goodwin, Interlachen Jr/Sr High School, Interlachen, Florida ~ Mrs. Sharon Low, Calvary Christian Academy, Fort Lauderdale, Florida ~ Mrs. Amanda Mummau, Odessa Christian School, Odessa, Florida ~ Mrs. Donna Vitek, The Cushman School, Miami, Florida ~
Georgia	Ms. Kelly Carney, Sacred Heart Co-Op, Tyrone, Georgia ~ Mrs. Beth Smith, Smith Home Academy, Jackson, Georgia ~
Hawai'i	Mrs. Marina Henriquez, Hawaii Academy of Arts and Science Public Charter School, Paho, Hawai'i *
Idaho	Mrs. Bree Koon, Tech Trep Academy, Wilder, Idaho *
Illinois	Ms. Jennie Crownson, J. Sterling Morton East High School, Cicero, Illinois + Mrs. Mariel Herzog, Marengo Community Middle School, Marengo, Illinois +
Indiana	Mrs. Lori Grant Feliciano, Cold Spring School, Indianapolis, Indiana +
Iowa	Ms. Sierra Dirksen, Storm Lake Community Middle School, Storm Lake, Iowa + Mrs. Kristina Dvorak, Franklin Middle School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa + Mrs. Susan Fritzell, Marshalltown High School, Marshalltown, Iowa + Ms. Hanna Howard, State Historical Society of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa + Ms. Bonnie Johnson, Decorah Community School District, Decorah, Iowa + Ms. Molly Mitola, Bettendorf High School, Bettendorf, IA, Iowa + Mr. Ryan Turner, Central City High School, Central City, Iowa + Mrs. Michele Wilson, Harding Middle School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa +
Kansas	Mr. Daniel Kobernat, Christian Learning Center, Fort Scott, Kansas +
Kentucky	Mrs. Kathy Bess, St. Patrick School, Maysville, Kentucky + Mr. Braden Boh, Randall K. Cooper High School, Union, Kentucky + Ms. Ashley Buzzanca, Kentucky Historical Society, Frankfort, Kentucky +
Maine	Mrs. Kathryn Cassesse, Greely Middle School, Cumberland, Maine ~ Ms. Jamie Karaffa, Bruce M Whittier Middle School, Poland, Maine ~ Mrs. Jane Stackpole, Ellsworth Elementary-Middle School, Ellsworth, Maine ~

Maryland	Mr. Christopher Drexel, Elmer A. Henderson: A Johns Hopkins Partnership School, Baltimore City, Maryland ~ Mr. Alexander Faucette, Urbana High School, Frederick, Maryland ~ Mrs. Nicole Glover, Briggs Chaney Middle School, Silver Spring, Maryland ~ Mrs. Nicole Hines, Oakland Mills High School, Columbia, Maryland ~ Mrs. Denise Kresslein, North Carroll Middle / East Middle, Hampstead, Maryland ~
Massachusetts	Ms. Krista LaForte, Breed Middle School, Lynn, Massachusetts ~ Ms. Megan O'Brien, The Bement School, Deerfield, Massachusetts ~ Ms. Simbrit Paskins, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Massachusetts ~ Mr. Justin Sheehan, Pioneer Charter School of Science, Saugus, Massachusetts ~ Mrs. Barbara Sturtevant, Marshall Simonds Middle School, Burlington, Massachusetts ~
Michigan	Ms. Marcie Diener, Harbor Springs High School, Harbor Springs, Michigan + Ms. Stacy Radecki, Ogemaw Heights High School, West Branch, Michigan + Mrs. Angela Stricker, TCAPS Montessori, Traverse City, Michigan + Mrs. Sharon Sullivan, Adlai Stevenson Middle School, Westland, Michigan + Ms. Traci Welch, Houghton Central High, Houghton, Michigan +
Minnesota	Mrs. Linda Dierks, Chaska Middle School East, School District 112, Chaska, Minnesota + Midwest - Mr. Ron Hustvedt, Salk STEM Middle School, Elk River, Minnesota / Mrs. Kathryn Rotunda, Chaska Middle School East, Chaska, Minnesota +
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Missouri	Mrs. La Shauna Aningo, Clayton High School, Clayton, Missouri + Mrs. Wendy Goss, Steam Academy Middle School, Hazelwood, Missouri + Mrs. Katie Rattles, East Middle School, Joplin, Missouri + Mrs. Melissa Zimmerschied, Green Ridge R-VIII School, Green Ridge, Missouri +
Montana	Dr. Melissa Hibbard, Montana Historical Society, Helena, Montana * Ms. Kim Konen, Beaverhead County High School, Dillon, Montana * Mrs. Jessica Van Kerkhove, Potomac School District 11, Bonner, Montana * Mrs. April Wills, Bainville School, Bainville, Montana *
Nevada	Mrs. Amber Newman, Leadership Academy of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada *
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New Mexico	Ms. Sharon Hart, Hart Academy, Mesquite, New Mexico * Mrs. Heather Page, Moriarty Middle School, Moriarty, New Mexico *
New York	Mrs. Ellen Ruoff, Woodland Middle School, East Meadow, New York ~ Mx. Lindsay Shields, Fort Hamilton High School, Brooklyn, New York ~ Mr. Nick Costa, Solvay Middle School, Syracuse, New York ~
NHD Korea	Mr. Max Park, Cornerstone Collegiate Academy of Seoul, Seoul, South Korea +
North Carolina	Mr. Caleb Brown, Highlands School, Highlands, North Carolina # Mrs. Laura Champury, Francis Bradley Middle School, Huntersville, North Carolina ~ Mrs. Eliza Hardin, Classical Scholars, Mills River, North Carolina ~ Mrs. Samantha Hawkins, E.B. Frink Middle School, La Grange, North Carolina # Mrs. Kelly Lynn, Two Rivers Community School, Boone, North Carolina #

	Ms. Rebecca Simmons, Yadkin Success Academy, Yadkinville, North Carolina # Ms. Tara Sweeney, North Carolina Virtual Academy, Durham, North Carolina +
North Dakota	Ms. Brittany Binstock, Belfield High School, Belfield, North Dakota + Mr. Zach Hochhalter, Fargo North High School, Fargo, North Dakota + Ms. Madison Milbrath, State Historical Society of North Dakota, Bismarck, North Dakota +
Ohio	Mrs. Alexandra Eveleth, Ohio History Connection, Columbus, Ohio ~
Oklahoma	Ms. Baylee Bozarth, Alcott Middle School, Norman, Oklahoma + Mrs. Ellen Carroll, Summit Christian School, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma +
Oregon	Mrs. Stefanie Spivey, Heppner Junior/Senior High School, Heppner, Oregon *
Pennsylvania	Mrs. Mindy Clayton, South Fayette Middle School, McDonald, Pennsylvania ~ Mrs. Jamie Juran, Deer Lakes School District, Cheswick, Pennsylvania +
Rhode Island	Mrs. Jodi Belford, Western Hills Middle School, Cranston, Rhode Island ~ Ms. Sally Meyer, Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, Rhode Island ~ Ms. Michelle Walker, Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence, Rhode Island ~
South Carolina	Mrs. Kim Guthrie, Home School, Gaffney, South Carolina ~ Dr. Michele Schmidt Moore, Forestbrook Middle School, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina ~
South Dakota	Mrs. Sue Larson, Rapid City Christian School, Rapid City, South Dakota *
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Vermont	Ms. Danielle Harris-Burnett, Vermont Historical Society, Barre, Vermont ~ Ms. Yelena Synkova, Home School, Roxbury, Vermont ~ Mr. Tyler Willis, Lyndon Town School, Lyndonville, Vermont ~
Virginia	Ms. Amy Livingston, Chancellor High School, Fredericksburg, Virginia ~ Ms. Rachel Moore, James Blair Middle School, Williamsburg, Virginia ~
Washington	Mrs. Jamie Brown, Julius A. Wendt Elementary, Skamokawa, Washington * Ms. Kayla Frank, Kopachuck Middle School, Gig Harbor, Washington * Mrs. Kate Goosman, Friday Harbor Middle School, Friday Harbor, Washington * Mrs. Courtney Kallstrom, Cedar Heights Middle School, Port Orchard, Washington * Ms. Patricia Sundt, Skyview Middle School, Bothell, Washington * Mrs. Jamie Toll, Sterling Junior High School, East Wenatchee, Washington *
Wisconsin	Ms. Krystal Klemme, Frank Lloyd Wright Intermediate School, West Allis, Wisconsin +
Wyoming	Mr. Bryce Mittelstadt, Kelly Walsh High School, Casper, Wyoming *

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