



# Teaching American History: K-6 Teachers and Librarians

## A New Nation: Independence through the Constitution, 1776-1787

### Bringing U.S. History to life for students

The Central Susquehanna IU is partnering with the PA Historical Museum Commission and the Capital Area IU to offer free, **professional development opportunities** for K-6 teachers, librarians and special education teachers.

**A New Nation: Independence through the Constitution, 1776-1787** is an opportunity for elementary educators to use objects, documents and historic sites to learn about the period of the United States' founding. Participants explore high order thinking skills and combine these strategies with historic resources to create teaching stations and an American history lesson.

### Program components

#### **Orientation and High Order Thinking Strategies – May 2, 2012\***

A one-day forum that will introduce core historical skills, interpretation, tools, sources and research techniques.

#### **Summer Institute – June 18 - 22, 2012**

A week-long, residential institute offering courses designed to increase American history content knowledge, along with field trips to museums and historic exhibits, and the creation of lesson plans and classroom learning station activities. June 18-20 will be held in Harrisburg. **Overnight stay is required for June 21-22 field trip to Philadelphia.**

#### **Online Collaboration – July through December 2012**

Interactive online discussions on several scholarly works including historically-based children's literature and cultural artifacts.

#### **Final Forum – January 30, 2013\***

One-day wrap-up session offering participants the opportunity to share lessons and evaluate activities.

*\*components will be held at the CSIU offices in Milton*

### Details

#### **Registration deadline:**

March 1, 2012

Program is offered at **no cost** to districts or teachers. Substitute fee included. Participants will also receive a \$1,050 stipend and classroom resources upon completion of the program.

**Act 48 hours:** Participants will receive 80 hours, upon completion, that will apply to the following year's cycle.

For more information on this and other professional development opportunities, go to [www.csiu.org](http://www.csiu.org) or contact CSIU Professional Development and Curriculum Services at (570) 523-1155 ext. 2324.



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Application for 2012-13

## Participant Information

Home contact information will not be shared; it is used for contacting you over the summer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade level: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

## School Information

School name: \_\_\_\_\_

School address: \_\_\_\_\_

School phone: \_\_\_\_\_ School fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Building administrator's name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Participant's Signature

My signature indicates my ability and willingness, barring an emergency, to complete all of the required activities for the program, which are listed on the attached document.

Participant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Administrative Signatures

My signature indicates my willingness to support this teacher in the activities. I understand that substitute costs will be reimbursed by the program through the CSIU.

Superintendent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Building administrator's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: Participants must attend each of the Program Components to be eligible for the resources, stipend, and Act 48 hours referred to in the "Details" section of the attached document.*

Mail, fax or email completed application **by March 1, 2012** to:

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**To submit your application electronically:** Complete this form and save it to your computer. Send completed form to building administrator, either as an attachment via email or print a hard copy, for their approval. The building administrator will obtain administrative signatures and should submit form via email to **[sblyth@csiu.org](mailto:sblyth@csiu.org)**. A hard copy can also be mailed or faxed to the CSIU at the contact information listed above.