

Educators invited to join history-social science collaboratives beginning this summer



This summer, educators are invited to join two multi-county history-social science collaboratives designed to promote inquiry-based learning. Justin Paredes, TCOE's history-social studies staff development & curriculum specialist, reports that the collaboratives will support educators as they move toward full implementation of the state's history-social studies framework and greater student engagement.

Kern-Tulare History Collaborative



The Kern-Tulare History Collaborative was developed by the Tulare County Office of Education and the Kern County Superintendent of Schools. Created for teachers in grades 5-12 and history-

social science teachers, the collaborative includes the California History-Social Science Project and the Library of Congress Western Region office as partners.

The collaborative is a new virtual community of practice specifically designed to support the implementation of California's History-Social Science Framework and engage teachers as they build lessons utilizing credible primary sources largely from the Library of Congress. The collaborative will launch on July 31 with an overview of the Library of Congress digital resources and the Teaching with Primary Sources (TPS) teacher network. More information about TPS, a social media platform that will connect teachers throughout the nation, is available at <u>youtu.be/8EolxIanlqk</u>.

In seven subsequent monthly meetings of the collaborative, participants will be guided on integrating Library of Congress primary and secondary resources and essential questions from the framework into inquiry-based lessons. To support their learning, participants will also receive a copy of *Inquiry Design Model: Building Inquiries in Social Studies* by Swan, Lee, and Grant. There is no cost to participate in the program which is limited to 100 teachers. Participants who complete the program will receive a \$100 gift card. To register for the first session, scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. on July 31, visit <u>bit.ly/LocSession1</u>. Participants will need to register for subsequent sessions being held September through March.

Content, Literacy, Inquiry, and Citizenship Project (CLIC)

CLIC is a professional learning collaborative made up of teachers, administrators, and paraprofessionals from Tulare, Fresno, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, and Merced counties. It is facilitated by history-social science experts throughout the region to share best practices.



With meetings scheduled for August 11,

September 29, October 27, and November 17, participants will receive professional learning focused on developing inquiry-based critical thinking, improving literacy skills, and building knowledge and instructional strategies to promote civic engagement of students. By participating in CLIC, educators will also expand their knowledge of the California Global Education Project (CGEP), civics action planning, environmental literacy, critical thinking in economics, social-emotional learning, English language development for history-social science, the Genocide Education Project, and National History Day.

To register to participate in the August 11 meeting beginning at 3:30 p.m., visit <u>bit.ly/CLICSession1</u>. Participants will also need to register for the meetings scheduled for September, October, and November.

For more information on CLIC or the Kern-Tulare History Collaborative, contact Justin Paredes at justin.paredes@tcoe.org.

Behavioral Health Services supports county agency in making resource video



As the number of COVID-19 cases in Tulare County has risen in recent weeks, the Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) recently released a pair of four-minute videos in English and Spanish that discuss the importance of addressing individual mental health needs and the needs of children during the pandemic. The videos feature a variety of HHSA staff and TCOE Behavioral Health Services (BHS) members offering information on how the pandemic can affect everyone's mental health, particularly those with mental illness. The videos also offer a number of tips for dealing with the stresses of the pandemic, and phone and internet resources for viewers to access.

The videos feature BHS Director Dr. Jennifer Newell in the English version, and Misael Gomez (front office and information clerk) and Maria Montano, LCSW (mental health clinician) in the Spanish version. To view the videos, visit <u>vimeo.com/434529157/56e331f56c</u> (English version) or <u>vimeo.com/435807053/a5688350fb</u> (Spanish version).

Distance Learning Resources

- <u>Arts All Around Us</u>
- <u>TCOE Learning at Home</u>

Coming Up!

 Many upcoming student events have been cancelled or postponed. Check the current list of all student events (cancelled, postponed, and tentatively scheduled) on the <u>Student Events</u> webpage.

View more events at tcoe.org/CalendarofEvents.

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