



## VIRGINIA TEACHER ADVISORY COUNCIL 2021-2022 Academic Year

### Description:

The American Civil War Museum and the Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia are embarking on a new partnership to increase teacher access to our unparalleled collections and stories that inspire. We are looking for 12 teachers from across the Commonwealth who are interested in shaping how their fellow teachers and students engage with history. Are you a Virginia educator who:

- Teaches at any grade level, but especially those who cover content related to Virginia History
- Is enthusiastic about helping our organization to create excellent, relevant, and useful offerings for teachers and their students, for use on-site at the museums and in the classroom.
- Can help shape our vision for how we want to best serve educators and their students.
- Is flexible, creative, innovative, and reflective.

### Requirements:

Participation in the Virginia Teacher Advisory Council will consist of:

- 1-year commitment, estimated at 20 hours total active time, including time worked outside of meetings.
- Bi-monthly meetings, occurring on the third Wednesday from 5:00-7:00 pm ET in the following months:
  - o February, April, June, and a closing meeting in July in Richmond Virginia.
  - o The first meeting will be held on **November 17th, 2021**.
  - o Teachers from anywhere in the Commonwealth of Virginia are eligible and encouraged to apply.
  - o Meetings will be held virtually until such a time when in-person meetings are safe to attend.

### Responsibilities:

- Participate in bi-monthly meetings and out of meeting work
- Advise, evaluate, and assist museums' staff in the development and implementation of museum offerings including field trip programs, teacher professional development, and online resources for classroom use.
- Help grow the scope of the Teacher Advisory Council and shape its function for future years.
- **This year's focus** is aiding in the implementation of offerings as adjusted for changes in the Virginia Standards of Learning, including the application of African American History to Standards.

### Benefits:

- Upon request, a certificate or letter acknowledging participation for potential recertification points.
- Networking with fellow educators from around the Commonwealth.
- Opportunity to guide the development of offerings for all teachers and students utilizing both personal experience and professional best practices.
- \$200 stipend for participation\*

\*educators can participate in either the Virginia Council *or* the ACWM National Council, but not both

**[Apply Here!](#) The deadline is **11:59 pm on Saturday, November 6, 2021**.**

Participants will be notified of their status no later than November 10, 2021

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