

Worth a Thousand Words

Teachers Institute

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This institute is open to teachers in grades K-12 in **Lynchburg, VA** and the surrounding counties of **Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, and Campbell.**

Discover an interdisciplinary approach to teaching the Civil War in this two-day workshop. On day one, we will learn from Children's and Young adult author, **Tanya Anderson**, how literature can enhance the discussion of complex and difficult topics associated with race, slavery, and the Civil War. On day two, we will see how science can be integrated into the history curriculum to provide a richer understanding of the difficulties facing armies in the field as **Trevor Steinbach**, president, The Society of Civil War Surgeons, leads an exploration of Civil War Medicine. Each day will consist of instruction time, breakout sessions, museum exploration, and a fieldtrip to a local site. Lunch will be provided each day.

At the end of the institute, teachers will receive a certificate of completion for 14 hours of instruction, an informational packet, and a \$50 gift card to be used for the purchase of classroom supplies.

Featured Scholars

[Tanya Anderson](#) is an award-winning author and editor of books for young readers. She has worked for more than twenty years in various editorial functions for Pages Publishing Group, Guideposts for Teens, SRA/McGraw-Hill, Darby Creek Publishing, and School Street Media, her own business. Anderson is the author of more than thirty books published in children's and educational book markets. Her Civil War books, *Tillie Pierce: Teen Eyewitness to the Battle of Gettysburg* and *Gunpowder Girls: The True Stories of Three Civil War Tragedies* are gripping nonfiction books for young readers. Both received excellent reviews, were Junior Library Guild Selections, and Benjamin Franklin Award gold medalists.

[Trevor Steinbach, Ed.D.](#) is a native of Illinois and a lifelong educator. Over the span of his career, he taught high school history and English and served as an elementary school principal. He has a passion for Civil War medicine and has provided historical interpretation at more than 800 events in Wisconsin, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Missouri and Iowa. He has published 210 articles on medicine in the *Civil War Courier* national publication and has been a consultant about medical history for films. He is also a member of the Board of Directors with the Society of Civil War Surgeons, which provides seminars and support for medical reenactors and historians.

Who should apply?

Although specifically targeted to educators in grades 4 – 6 who teach the American Civil War, all educators in Lynchburg, VA and the surrounding counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, and Campbell are welcome to apply. The Teachers Institute seeks participants from a diversity of grade levels and school settings with a wide range of personal interests.

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How to Apply

To register, submit your completed application form along with a letter detailing why you want to attend, how you plan to contribute, and what you hope to learn.

**APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE INSTITUTE IS FILLED.
APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THEIR STATUS WITHIN A WEEK OF
SUBMITTING THEIR APPLICATIONS.**

This two-day institute is free and lunch is provided each day.