

RI COMMISSION ON CIVIC EDUCATION

What is the RI Social Studies Institute?

The RI Social Studies Institute is a collaborative effort to provide high quality professional development for Rhode Island educators and community partners to implement the newly expanded K-12 Rhode Island Social Studies Grade Span Expectations (Social Studies GSEs), formerly the RI Civics & Government and Historical Perspectives/RI History GSEs (Civics GSEs). **The Rhode Island Permanent Legislative Commission on Civic Education** is co-chaired by Senator Hanna Gallo, whose dedication to civic education was integral to the drafting and passage of the law to create the GSEs.

Civic Education recognizes that the goal of education in civics and government is informed, responsible participation in political life by competent citizens committed to the fundamental values and principles of American constitutional democracy... Effective and responsible participation also is furthered by development of certain dispositions... that enhance the individual's capacity to participate in the political process and contribute to ...the improvement of society. (RI General Law 16-2.1-3)

For more information, new standards documents, and supporting resources for the Social Studies GSEs, please visit the newly redesigned RIDE web site:

www.ride.ri.gov/Social-Studies

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2013 **RI Social Studies Institute**

SOCIAL STUDIES, HISTORY, CIVIC EDUCATION... & THE COMMON CORE

Saturday, June 1, 2013

Rhode Island College, Alger Hall

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**The RI State Panel on Civic Education
RI Department of Education
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SCHEDULE

8:30 AM	Registration
9:00 – 10:30 AM	Workshop Session I
10:30 – 10:45 AM	Break
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	Workshop Session II
12:15 – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 PM	Workshop Session III

WORKSHOPS

- Integrating the Social Studies GSEs and Using the Common Core State Standards (CCSS): (Session I)
Learn how to integrate Social Studies GSEs with the Common Core for literacy. Two middle school level units will be presented which can be adapted for multiple grade levels.
- Early Childhood School Violence Prevention Program: (Session I)
The Early Childhood School Violence Prevention Program is a civic education program designed for the K-2 classrooms with literacy connections to the CCSS. Strategies will be modeled to guide the students to think critically and develop reasoned and responsible positions about important issues in both their private and public lives.
- Project Citizen: (Session II)
Project Citizen is a civic education program that engages students (Grades 4 to 12) in learning how to monitor and influence public policy.
- The Thomas Wilson Dorr Letter Project: (Session II)
This panel will explore the digital edition of the letters of Thomas Wilson Dorr and will walk through three lesson plans aligned to the Social Studies GSEs that focus on the letters.
- “The Forme of Government is Democraticall” – Democratic Localism in Rhode Island 1636-1850: (Session III)
RI’s colonial legislature and town meetings long utilized an interactive process called democratic localism. Emerging factional politics from the 1760s onward and economic turmoil following the American Revolution turned the institution into a relic of more democratic times.
- The Dorr Rebellion – Issues Then and Now: (Session III)
Workshop discusses the Dorr Rebellion of 1841-42 and its key concepts, including social conditions in RI during the early 19th century and how the state came to a near Civil War in the 1840’s, and explores how the issues that inspired Dorr and others resonate to this day.

REGISTRATION

- Registration is Free
- Lunch and a coffee break are provided
- Questions about registration? Email Kamlyn.Keith@ride.ri.gov
- **Registration deadline is May 24, 2013.**
Limited seats are available for this conference.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please email the following information to

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Name:

Email:

District / School, or Organization:

I am a(n)...

Teacher: Elementary___ / Middle School___ / High School ___

Administrator___ / Student ___

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