

Social Studies Coalition of Delaware

Partnering to Promote Student Achievement & Quality Teaching



May 22, 2017

Dear Superintendent,

During the last few years, the Social Studies Coalition of Delaware has met monthly to address social studies issues that affect all districts and held institutes and workshops in the four strands of social studies. This year we continued our Professional Development Project, by providing training in social studies content and assessment. SSCD also worked collaboratively with the Delaware Department of Education to create close read lessons of instruction that align with the Delaware social studies standards, CCSS-ELA for History/Social Studies, SBAC and SAT assessments. The Lead Teachers of your district can now be used for professional development and as a resource for improving social studies instruction. The plans for the 2017-2018 year include: the development of the state assessment examples for use in the classroom, along with revision and modification of the current Delaware Recommended Curriculum Model Units. Please visit our website at <http://www.sscde.org/> to find out more about the organization. We are looking forward to continuing the efforts of the Coalition and ask you to renew your membership.

Eighteen districts and five charter schools are members of the Coalition and it is time for the districts and charters to make their commitment to the SSCD for the 2017-2018 school year. The fee is \$2000 for the period from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. Payment would be due by September 30, 2017 in order to accommodate availability of funds for each district, depending on their source of funding.

Please review and sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding. **Send the agreement to the Milford School District (S 108), c/o Sara Croce**, the Coalition's fiscal agent, when you request an IV for your business office.

The Social Studies Coalition of Delaware appreciates your continuing support for social studies education. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the officers of the SSCD listed below:

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Sincerely,

Becky Reed, SSCD Financial Liaison

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