



DRAFT AGENDA

Civics & Civil Rights Institute

Forming a More Perfect Union

July 10–12, 2013
Washington, DC

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

1. Welcome: Workshop Purpose and Goals and Introductions

Participants will meet each other and review the agenda and goals for the next three days.

2. Definition of Human and Civil Rights

Participants will examine their understanding of human rights and of the civil rights movement and discuss the way textbooks teach about both.

3. Reinventing Teaching about Civil Rights

Will the real Rosa Parks please stand up! Using Rosa Parks as a case study, we will examine the traditional way information about the civil rights movement is taught and its impact on engaging African American youth.

4. Civil Rights Timelines

This interactive activity will highlight the separate and concurrent civil rights timelines of African Americans, women, and Latinos.

5. Modern Day Slavery

Slavery violates the 13th Amendment, yet it exists today in the United States and maybe in your community. Often called “human trafficking,” the term applies to using force, fraud, or coercion to get people to work against their will. We will demonstrate lessons that teach about modern day slavery as a current civil rights issue.

6. Voting Rights in 2012

Did Congress exceed its authority in 2006 when it reauthorized a section of the Voting Rights Act? This question is being considered by the Supreme Court this term. We will discuss the case, the decision, and how to teach about it in our social studies classes.

Thursday, July 11, 2013

1. **Tour of the National Archives**

We will be given an exclusive tour of the National Archives by the curator of their educational department.

2. **Accessing Historical Documents to Teach about Civil Rights**

We will make history come alive by accessing civil rights documents to teach about civic engagement.

3. **Civil Rights Tour of Washington, DC**

From the Heritage Trail to the beautiful monuments, there are an abundance of fascinating educational resources in Washington. We'll spend some time exploring the Civil Rights Movement through these amazing landmarks.

Friday, July 12, 2013

1. **Immigration and Citizenship (14th Amendment)**

We will examine the Dream Act and demonstrate a strategy for teaching about controversial issues.

2. **Civil Rights and Hip Hop**

We will demonstrate a lesson that examines the messages in hip hop and compare and contrast them to the messages in the music of the civil rights movement.

3. **The Supreme Court and Gender**

We will examine a current civil rights issue of whether the Constitution's 14th Amendment guarantee of "equal protection" prevents states from defining marriage as only between one man and one woman.