## **Social Studies Coalition of Delaware**



June 1, 2020

Dear LEA Superintendent and/or Curriculum Leader,

During the last few years, the Social Studies Coalition of Delaware(SSCD) has met monthly to address social studies issues that affect all districts and held institutes and workshops in the four strands of social studies. Our organization provides valuable input around curriculum and assessment decisions at the state level and encourages collaboration among districts for shared objectives. This year, we continued that work by providing professional learning opportunities around the social studies standards and assessment. The plans for the 2021 school year include:

- continued professional learning opportunities focused on identified grade levels and the standard expectations at that grade (understanding the expectations of those standards, exposure to instructional strategies to teach those standards, and development of DeSSA-like assessment resources),
- ongoing enhancement and revisions to the Delaware Recommended Curriculum Model Units,
- developing remote learning opportunities that can be used to enhance online learning environments, and
- development of relevant K-12 professional learning opportunities that are asynchronous for teachers and administrators.

We encourage you to visit our Schoology group (Group Code HPJN-D7D3-RQPDT) to find out more about the organization. We are looking forward to continuing these efforts of the Coalition and ask that you renew your membership. The fee is \$2000 for the period from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021. Payment is due by September 30, 2020. Please review and sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding. Send the agreement to the Coalition's fiscal agent, when you request an IV for your business office:

Milford School District (S 108) c/o Christie Millman, Director of Student Learning-Financial Secretary (cmillman@msd.k12.de.us)

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,

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