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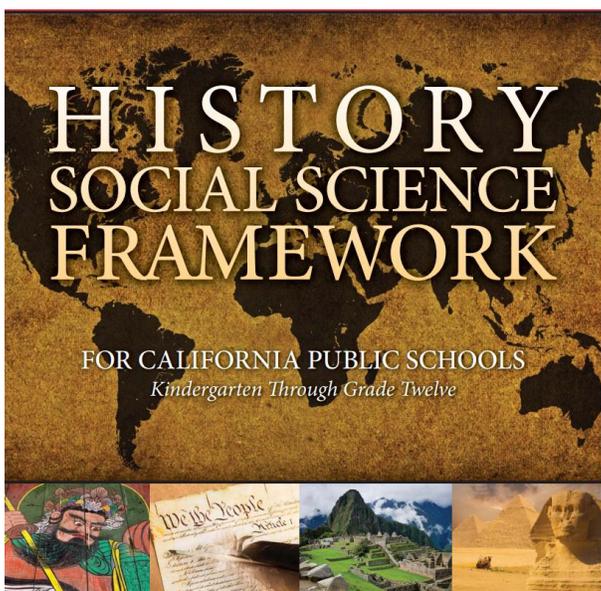
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GENERAL INFORMATION AND UPDATES

Members of the Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum Advisory Committee (MCAC) were recommended to the State Board of Education (SBE) at the Instruction Quality Commission's November meeting. The SBE will appoint the recommended members in January. The three MCAC meetings will be in February–April. The draft curriculum will be available for public comment June–August 2019. [More information](#) can be found on the California Department of Education (CDE) website.

Work on the draft criteria for the [State Seal of Civic Engagement](#) began with a teacher advisory group video conference on November 14, 2018. Teachers from around the state contributed thoughtful input for the criteria areas:

- A) Demonstrate mastery of content related to history, civics, and character education
- B) Participation in community service and extracurricular activities
- C) Any other related requirements as deemed appropriate

The initial draft for public comment will be available at the beginning of January. The draft will be posted on the CDE website.

The [Content, Literacy, Inquiry, and Citizenship](#) (CLIC) Project is in full swing. Most of the regions have secured dates for workshops and trainings to support the continued implementation of the History–Social Science (HSS) Framework. Use this [Google Doc](#), containing all of the regional contact leads, to find out the dates for your region.

Civic Learning News

The [application for the Civic Learning Award](#) is still available. The awards are designed to both celebrate successful efforts to engage students in civic learning and to identify successful models that can be replicated in other schools. **The due date for the application is January 18, 2019.**

In November 2018, CBS News produced [a segment](#) on promoting civic education. The segment includes an interview of Justices Sonia Sotomayer and Neil Gorsuch.

Edweb.org offers this short [blog post](#) regarding media literacy.

Greater Good Magazine offers [this article](#) titled, *How to Inspire Students to Become Better Citizens* and suggests ideas for educators to help boost civic engagement among young people.

The November 6, 2018 KQED Forum focused on civic education. The audio file, titled "[Why Civic Education Matters](#)," features Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye.

The Alliance for Excellent Education offers this piece on [Student Activism in the Era of Parkland and What it Means for Educators](#). Included are ideas to support educators addressing student activism in their classrooms.

Environmental Literacy

The California Geographic Alliance is pleased to announce the third annual "[My California GIS Mapping Showcase and Competition](#)."

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING RESOURCES

Upcoming Conferences

California Council for the Social Studies (CCSS) Annual Conference

The annual [CCSS Conference](#) will be held at the San Jose Doubletree Hotel from March 15–17. The 2019 conference, *Integrating Technology and Tradition*, will continue CCSS's traditional devotion to providing quality professional development focused on new scholarship, research-based strategies, and networking — all designed to improve the teaching and learning of HSS across the state.

2019 White House History Teacher Institute

During this five day experience, educators examine the more than 200-year history of the White House and its impact as a home, office, and museum. Learn from experts and devise classroom applications with a group of peers from across the country. Learn more on the [White House Historical Association website](#). **Application deadline is February 1, 2019.**

Regional Offerings

San Francisco/Bay Area

Here are the upcoming events for the California HSS Project at UC Berkeley (UCBHSSP):

[Informed Action Civics Inquiry Groups](#) with varied application dates

[Community Convening: Assessment in the HSS Classroom](#) on December 6, 2018

[Religion in the HSS Classroom](#) on February 9, 2019

[A UCBHSSP Unconference](#) on February 23, 2019

Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)

[An Introduction to Project Based Learning for the 21st Century](#)

Based on the Buck Institute for Education

January 22–24, 2019

8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

LACOE

[California Democracy School Spring Institute](#)

Professional Learning to Prepare ALL Students for Civic Life

March 25–27, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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INSTRUCTIONAL AND OTHER RESOURCES

December Dilemma

The California 3Rs Project offers its yearly support for [Addressing Religious Holidays in Public School](#). This guide offers resources that can support schools to effectively address and celebrate the plurality of traditions present in our school communities.

Public Broadcasting System (PBS)

PBS offers a new video titled Dawnland. Dawnland is the untold story of indigenous child removal in the U.S. through the nation's first-ever government-endorsed truth and reconciliation commission, which investigated the impact of Maine's child welfare practices on the Wabanaki people. Find the trailer, full movie, and more information on [the PBS website](#).

SIGNIFICANT DATES/UPCOMING EVENTS

December 7 **National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**

December 10 **Human Rights Day**

December 15 **Bill of Rights Day**

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