



2024 Alabama History Institutes: Grades 4-12

Expanding the Classroom: Student Engagement with Community Resources

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Students find connections with history when they can experience and relate to it. This workshop will emphasize a student-centered approach to teaching social studies, providing blueprints for educators to partner with Alabama's museums, historic sites, archives, and public historians to bring history to life for their students in a variety of creative and meaningful ways. Guest speakers will deliver interactive presentations highlighting several partnerships between educators and public historians currently underway around the state. This intensive exposure to current, project-based collaborations will help participants learn how to implement similar programs in their own communities and schools. The facilitators of this workshop will present strategies that have been effective in both elementary and secondary environments, and educators will have the opportunity to collaborate within grade bands.

