



**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

DATE: October 27, 2017
TO: Division Superintendents
FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction
SUBJECT: **Announcement of the Civics Summit on November 16, 2017**

I am pleased to announce that the Commission on Civic Education is hosting a one-day Civics Summit for division personnel and teachers who work with students in Civics and Economics, and Virginia and United States Government.

The objectives of the Summit are to:

- provide content information related to civics education by recognized experts;
- explain how citizens can interact with their local government with emphasis on the judicial system; and
- encourage responsible citizenship through participation in civic-related activities.

The date and location for the Summit are as follows:

Thursday, November 16, 2017
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Virginia Press Association
11529 Nuckols Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059

The Civics Summit will accommodate 150 participants. School divisions are invited to send teachers and/or division personnel. The Civics Summit will provide parking, lunch, and material for participants.

Registration will be conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis until November 9, 2017, and can be completed online at <https://apps.senate.virginia.gov/civicsSummit/CS2017registrationform.html>.

If you need additional information about the Civics Summit, please contact Scott Maddrea, Deputy Clerk - Committee Operations, Office of the Clerk of the House of Delegates, by email at smaddrea@house.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 698-1545; or Christonya Brown, History and Social Science Coordinator, Office of Humanities and Early Childhood, by email at Christonya.Brown@doe.virginia.gov or by telephone at (804) 225-2893.

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