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TO: Division Superintendents

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SUBJECT: 2018 Virginia WWI & WWII Multi-Museum Statewide Teacher

Symposiums

The summer of 2018 falls amid two significant anniversaries—the 75th anniversary of WWII and the 100th anniversary of WWI, and Virginia has been at the forefront of the commemoration as museums and historic sites across the state mark the occasion. As part of this commemoration, and as a means to explore and share the countless resources Virginia offers for learning about WWI and WWII, the Virginia World War I and World War II Commemoration Commission will join again with partners across Virginia to host four symposiums for teachers across the Commonwealth.

The Commission will be joining museums and historic sites that will offer various sessions providing overviews of both wars, content for teaching WWI and WWII, and museum tours highlighting local resources that support the history and social science skills and content. Although the symposiums are free for Virginia educators, <u>registration</u> is necessary as space is limited. Lunch will be provided. Attendees will receive recertification certificates.

The four symposiums will be offered at the following locations:

- Tuesday, July 10, 2018
 <u>Heartwood</u> →, Abingdon, Virginia
 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
 <u>Registration link</u> →
- Tuesday, July 17, 2018
 U.S. Army Quartermaster Museum →, Fort Lee, Virginia 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Registration link →
- Tuesday, July 24, 2018
 Military Aviation Museum →, Virginia Beach, Virginia 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Registration link →
- Tuesday, July 31, 2018
 National Museum of the Marine Corps
 →, Triangle, Virginia
 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Registration link

For more information about the Virginia WWI & WWII Multi-Museum Statewide Teacher Symposiums or registration, please contact Lily Jones, by email at <u>ljones@dls.virginia.gov</u> or by telephone at (804) 698-1886; or Betsy Barton, Specialist for History and Social Science, Office of Humanities and Early Childhood,

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