

# Teaching American History Grant Partnerships



## *Pamplin Historical Park and The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier Welcomes Partnerships with School Districts*

Pamplin Historical Park's education staff serves school districts at their home sites and on the 422-acre campus of Pamplin Historical Park and The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier. The campus includes a tract of the Civil War Petersburg Campaign battlefield, a National Historic Landmark. It is the site of the historic "Breakthrough Battle" of April 2, 1865 where Union forces successfully overran Confederate defenses, ending a ten-month stalemate and forcing the Confederate evacuation of Richmond.



The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier

The campus contains a mile of well-preserved Confederate earthworks and rifle pits, four historic houses, plantation out-buildings, civilian and military living history programs, an overnight Civil War Adventure Camp, several museum buildings with exhibits and theaters, an education building, museum store, café, and picnic facility.



Teachers tour "The Breakthrough" battlefield



Site of Civil War Adventure Camp



Teachers learn to wash clothes as slaves did in the 1860s



Al Neale leads a group of teachers in Civil War Era music

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Teachers observe “King of Battle” cannon demonstration



Teachers test their woodworking skills

Pamplin Historical Park understands teachers work hard to educate students and desire new methods for reaching them. The Park’s highly experienced education staff helps school districts plan and coordinate the grant application process to compete for federal money, and designs programs for teachers that meet the objectives of TAH programs. The curriculum addresses themes in American history from the Constitutional Convention through Reconstruction. The curriculum is geared to national and state education standards.



Teachers dance the “Virginia Reel”

Topics include:

- The Constitution: States Rights and Slavery
- Antebellum Slave Life
- Antebellum Economic and Social Development: North vs. South
- Antebellum Cultural Stereotypes
- Nullification
- The Antebellum Debates over Slavery
- The American Civil War
- Civil War Era Music
- Reconstruction



Teachers discover hands-on Civil War weapons technology



Wisteria Perry describes difficult manual labor in crop fields