



THE WHITE HOUSE
HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Teachers Invited to the Nation's Capital for White House History Teacher Institute

Week-Long Experience Includes Exclusive Visits to Sites, Educational Resources

June 27, 2025 (Washington, D.C.) – The White House Historical Association will host its ninth annual [White House History Teacher Institute](#) on **July 7-11 and July 14-18** at [The People's House: A White House Experience](#), located a block from the White House. The program consists of two separate week-long, in-person immersive education experiences featuring exclusive site visits including the White House, Blair House, and the Frederick Douglass House, introductions to new educational resources from the White House Historical Association, insights from historians, and conversations with former White House staff.

This year's Teacher Institute features special sessions led by David M. Rubenstein Master Teachers. The group consists of six educators across elementary, middle, and high school levels who previously attended the Teacher Institute and were selected to teach their own interactive sessions, mentor new participants, and provide unique perspectives on classroom education and strategies.

The 2025 Master Teachers Include:

Jocelyn Jimenez Smerz, Tucson, Arizona
Week One Elementary Grades Master Teacher

Virginia Conerly, Huntsville, Alabama
Week Two Elementary Grades Master Teacher

William Scales, Placerville, California
Week One Middle School Master Teacher

Jennifer Herald, Greenfield, Wisconsin
Week Two Middle School Master Teacher

Sharon Conditt, Woodland, Washington
Week One High School Master Teacher

Jennifer Welch, Passaic, New Jersey
Week Two High School Master Teacher

Teacher Institute participants were selected through an application review process that included submission of a resumé and a letter of recommendation.

[Learn more about the Teacher Institute and this year's Master Teachers.](#)

About the White House Historical Association

The White House Historical Association was founded in 1961 by First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy to support her vision to restore and preserve the Executive Mansion and its legacy for generations to come. Mrs. Kennedy sought to inspire Americans, especially children, to explore and engage with American history and its presidents. Supported entirely by private resources, the Association is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that has contributed more than \$115 million to the White House in fulfillment of its mission. To learn more about the White House Historical Association, please visit WhiteHouseHistory.org.

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