**Pennsylvania Council for the Social Studies**

**Pre-Conference Workshop**

**Thursday, October 16, 2014**

**1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**Frank J. Pasquerilla Conference Center**

**301 Napoleon Street**

**Johnstown, PA 15901**

**Bullying, Literacy and the Social Studies**

*Nationally renowned educator and author Dr. Rose Reissman will join Pennsylvania Council of Social Studies President and Olweus Bullying Prevention Trainer David Trevaskis in an interactive journey through literature that will show the social studies educator how to make bullying prevention education come alive in the classroom. Lessons developed in a partnership between Ditmas Intermediate School IS 62 in Brooklyn and PCSS over the past year will be shared and each attendee will go home with more than 50 lessons from the joint publications of the two presenters. Ditmas’ innovative principal, Barry Kevorkian, will underscore the value of this partnership.*

*While the partnership between Ditmas and the Pennsylvania Council of Social Studies began officially in the 2013-2014 academic year, it was the outgrowth of a long flourishing friendship and professional exchange between Dr. Reissman and attorney Trevaksis. Dr. Rose, as she is known everywhere, is an ELA teacher who gravitated to law related issues such as censorship of books, student rights and Kafka’s portrayal of The Penal Colony in terms of capital punishment. Trevaskis is a former third grade teacher, turned lawyer, founder of the law related education group LEAP-Kids and the lead trainer and developer of the peer mediation, anti-bullying and youth court program, Project PEACE.*

*In this climate of focus on standardized test results in literacy and mathematics, national and statewide emphasis has shifted away from multi-content teaming involving social studies. Yet in one NYC Title 1 public middle school, this partnership between several Social Studies teachers, PCSS partners and English/ESL teachers has yielded tremendous 21st Century authentic life, literacy and citizenship outcomes for students. Exploring bullying prevention, this workshop will showcase how educators can create similar results in their own schools to the magic that has happened at Ditmas.*

**To sign up for this free staff development, complete the requested registration form and send it to PCSS Pre-Conference Workshop; 5842 Shady Lane, Nazareth; Pa 18064**

**Questions may be directed to pacouncilss@gmail.com**

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**Registration Deadline is September 30, 2014**