



Dear PCSS Attendees,

Welcome back!

After a year in which we were unable to meet in person, we are excited to be here together in Valley Forge — a location so resonant with memories of overcoming great challenges in American history! The need to adapt and respond to current challenges by staying apart makes the opportunity to connect in person all the more meaningful.

As sponsors for the 68th annual conference, the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE) is delighted to participate in bringing together so many dedicated and passionate educators for professional development opportunities and to pause and reflect upon the enormous responsibility and privilege of educating future citizens of our great republic.

This year's theme of Navigating Controversy in Social Studies is particularly appropriate as we strive to overcome cultural divisions and communicate effectively and collaboratively with one another. In pursuit of such aims, FIRE is happy to provide numerous free curricular resources designed to expand student understanding of their rights and to foster healthier classroom discourse. We'd love for you to stop by our booth for a chat!

Your commitment to thorough classroom exploration of complicated ideas is inspiring, and we invite you to explore our offerings and to stay in touch with us at thefire.org/k12 or by emailing us at highschooloutreach@thefire.org.

In appreciation,

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