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COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Patricia I. Wright, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Educators Institute: The War of 1812 and its Legacy on June 20-21, 2014

I am pleased to announce that the Virginia Bicentennial of the War of 1812 Commission is sponsoring the Legacy Symposium on the Bicentennial of the War of 1812, which will feature a two-day Educators Institute for teachers and division personnel who work with students in Virginia Studies, United States History to 1865, and Virginia and United States History.

The objectives of the Institute are to:

- provide content information related to the War of 1812 by recognized experts;
- expand historical thinking skills by using primary sources; and
- investigate artifacts at Ft. Monroe to learn about its 400 year history.

The dates and locations for the Institute are as follows:

Friday, June 20, 2014
8:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fort Monroe
151 Bernard Road
Fort Monroe, VA 23651

Saturday, June 21, 2014
8:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Hampton University
100 E. Queen Street
Hampton, VA 23668

The Educators Institute will accommodate 120 participants. School divisions are invited to send teachers and/or division personnel. The Educators Institute will provide a \$50 stipend for attendees, parking, lunch, and material. Additional information, including a tentative agenda, an online registration link, and lodging details can be found at the following link: <http://museum.hamptonu.edu/1812/>. Registration will be conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis until Friday, May 30, 2014.

If you need additional information about the Educators Institute, please contact Patrice S. Piggott, project coordinator, Office of Governmental Relations, Hampton University, by e-mail at warof1812@hamptonu.edu or by telephone at (757) 728-6025; or Betsy Barton, history and social

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