

## Student-Centered Social Studies Strategies: Elementary School

**October 16, 2017 & February 13, 2018**

**8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (CT)**

Workshop #

**GRREC Office and Training Facility • 230 Technology Way • Bowling Green • 42101**

Effective teachers know the importance of engaging students, integrating literacy strategies, and designing inquiry lessons that embed critical thinking, but what does that look and sound like in social studies? Join us and experience strategies for moving from a teacher-centered to a more student-centered social studies classroom. On day 1, attendees will participate in a variety of lessons that illustrate these topics:

- Teaching social studies using inquiry practices
- Research-based social studies strategies
- Locating quality sources and resources

**Teachers will need to bring a future lesson or unit topic and join with grade-level peers to plan strategies and locate resources on that topic. On the follow-up day 2, teachers will share strategies tried and sources used in their classrooms and how they impacted student learning.**



*Dr. Jana Kirchner is a retired educator with 27 years of experience in education, which includes being an Instructional Supervisor for Simpson County Schools, an assistant professor in the School of Teacher Education at Western Kentucky University, a GRREC Social Studies Consultant, an ACT Quality Core facilitator, and a high school social studies and English teacher. She earned her Ph.D. in educational leadership, with an emphasis in curriculum and instruction, from the University of Louisville. She co-authored *Decoding the Past: Inquiry-Based Lessons in U.S. History* with Dr. Andrew McMichael, *Parenting Gifted Children 101* with Dr. Tracy Inman, and has presented professional development and conference sessions on social studies, differentiation, content literacy, and teaching strategies.*

**Optional Instructional Coaching:** As a part of this social studies professional development, schools or districts may choose to purchase additional days of on-site instructional coaching to help teachers plan and implement more student-centered, inquiry-based lessons. If interested, contact Jana Kirchner at 270.779.8651 or [jana@janakirchner.com](mailto:jana@janakirchner.com) for more details.

<b>Audience:</b>	Elementary Social Studies Teachers
<b>Presenter:</b>	Dr. Jana Kirchner
<b>Location:</b>	GRREC Office & Training Facility • 230 Technology Way • Bowling Green, KY
<b>Date:</b>	October 16, 2017 & February 13, 2018
<b>Time:</b>	8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CT      Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.
<b>Cost:</b>	\$100 for GRREC Districts - \$200 for Non-GRREC Districts

**\*\*\* Breakfast and Lunch will on your own. \*\*\***

**Registration**  
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P.O. # \_\_\_\_\_ (required for registration)

Note: School districts (or schools) will be billed following the activity based upon registration. Cancellations must be made within five (5) working days of the activity to avoid being billed for fee. Substitutions will be allowed.

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**Registration Deadline: October 12, 2017**

**[Click Here to Register Online](#)**

**or**

**Fax the registration form to GRREC at (270) 563-2208.**

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