



2026 Alabama History Institutes: Grades 3-6

Bridges from Birmingham: Civil Rights Lessons in Today's Classroom

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Step into history with a three-day immersive professional development experience in Birmingham! Explore the enduring legacy of the Civil Rights Movement and discover powerful ways to connect historic events to your students' lives. Among Birmingham's iconic landmarks, you will discover how civil rights leaders "built bridges" to bring people together and create change, and how teachers can do the same in their classrooms to foster collaboration, understanding, and meaningful learning. This workshop blends hands-on field experiences with practical, classroom-ready strategies for history, ELA, social studies, and character education. Engage with compelling stories, explore primary sources, and leave with classroom-ready strategies and resources aligned to the 2024 Social Studies Course of Study Standards for Social Studies. By the end of the workshop, you will be ready to guide your class on an engaging journey through Alabama's resilient past. Please bring a personal, operable device, such as a laptop or Chromebook, as you will be required to use it for full participation.



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