



**TO:** Cultural Education Committee

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**SUBJECT:** Cultural Resources Available Statewide from the State Archives for Curriculum Support

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**SUMMARY**

**Issue for Discussion**

The State Archives creatively provides educational resources that use historical records to support P-12 instruction.

**Reason(s) for Consideration**

For information.

**Background Information**

The State Archives provides a range of services to support P-12 classroom instruction. Training has been provided for thousands of P-12 teachers on how to find records in their communities and integrate these resources into their classrooms, including support for the creation of teacher researched and developed curriculum materials. In addition, the Archives offers on-line resources connected to state learning standards that provide historical records, lessons, and other instructional supports to enable teachers and students to engage in evidence-based learning. Archives' online education resources are developed in response to specific needs expressed by teachers, and actual lessons provided are created by practicing classroom teachers. The online resources include such unique features as the capacity to customize lessons "on the fly" and adapt them to individual classrooms and students. Finally, the Archives has sponsored a Student Research Award program for over 24 years that recognizes and honors students who create research projects using historical records.

Over the past 23 years, the Archives has supported document based P-12 education efforts by committing more than \$4.5 million from the Local Government

Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF), the Archives Partnership Trust (APT), and a fund established by Regent Emerita Laura and Robert Chodos.

Julie Daniels, Archives and Records Management Specialist, of the State Archives will review the impact and role of these unique resources in classrooms across the state and will demonstrate the types of training provided to teachers to enable them to develop locally based materials.