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TO: Cultural Education Committee
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SUBJECT: A K-12 Educational Guide to Understanding Fort Orange and the Colonial Dutch
DATE: February 24, 2020
AUTHORIZATION(S): 

SUMMARY

Issue for Discussion

Department staff will present a K-12 educational guide to understanding Fort Orange and the Colonial Dutch.

Reason(s) for Consideration

With the Regents adoption of the Next Generation Learning Standards, educators need access and knowledge of the resources that cultural institutions can provide. The diversity of resources available from OCE provides real-world forms of evidence, opportunities for inquiry-based lessons, and project-based learning that teachers can bring into the classroom.

Proposed Handling

Not applicable.

Procedural History

Not applicable.

Background Information

Educators often request materials to serve as pre- and post-visit activities supplementing museum exhibits and connecting to their classroom curriculum. The Fort Orange Educational Guide was created using resources from the State Museum,

Archives and Library and in collaboration with four New York State educators. The lessons from this guide have been used in both the classroom and onsite OCE programs.

Presenters: Jordan Maul, Assistant Director for Education and Development, New York State Archives Partnership Trust and Kelyn Snyder, 7th Grade Educator, East Greenbush Central School District.

Related Regents Items

Not applicable.

Recommendation

Not applicable.

Timetable for Implementation

Not applicable.