

1. Celebrate Geography year-round with Geography Awareness Week!!

http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/collections/geographyawarenessweek/?ar_a=1

In case you need some more ideas check out the National Council for Geographic Education

Resources:

<http://www.ncge.org/geography-awareness-week>

NDGA is an Alliance member of the National Council of Geography Educators. Be sure to take advantage of that by joining NCGE for \$50. Go to <http://www.ncge.org/> and sign up. Go to Become a Member and then to [NCGE Membership for North Dakota Alliance Affiliates](#).

2. The Day the Mesozoic Died

The disappearance of the dinosaurs at the end of the Cretaceous period posed one of the greatest, long-standing scientific mysteries. This three-act film tells the story of the extraordinary detective work that solved it. Shot on location in Italy, Spain, Texas, Colorado, and *North Dakota*. Films are free.

<http://www.hhmi.org/biointeractive/shortfilms>

3. Where can I get funding for technology for my classroom?

http://www.ngsp.com/newsletter/Vol3_Iss3/ask.html?sp_rid=NjM2MjcwMjU0MQS2&sp_mid=4804864

4. Google for Educators

<http://www.google.com/enterprise/apps/education/>

<http://www.google.com/enterprise/apps/education/resources/index.html>

Webinars, regional user groups, online training programs, find a trainer, and lesson plans using Google applications.

5. Timeline Photos

<http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.430080388619.206740.357936683619&type=3>

Timeline photos with all kinds of fun and useful links!!

6. 2014-15 Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship The 2014-15 Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program application is open to current public or private elementary and secondary mathematics, technology, engineering and science classroom teachers with demonstrated excellence in teaching. Applications are due **5 p.m. EST Dec. 4, 2013**. Selected teachers spend a school year in Washington, D.C., sharing their expertise with policy makers and program managers. Einstein Fellows may serve with one of several government agency sponsors, such as the Department of Energy, NASA or the National Science Foundation. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and be currently employed full time in a public or private elementary or secondary school or school district. Applicants must have been teaching in a STEM field full time for at least five of the last seven years. For more information visit <http://science.energy.gov/wdts/einstein/>. Inquiries about the Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program should be directed to Brian O'Donnell at sc.einstein@science.doe.gov.

7. For the Bullied and Beautiful

Poet Shane Koyczan makes spoken-word poetry and music. His poem "To This Day" is a powerful story of bullying and survival.

http://www.ted.com/talks/shane_koyczan_to_this_day_for_the_bullied_and_beautiful.html?source=email#.UUr0SYaFN9Q.email

8. Most popular girl names by state

Baby naming generally follows a consistent cycle: A name springs up in some region of the U.S.—"Ashley" in the South, "Emily" in the Northeast—sweeps over the country, and falls out of favor nearly as quickly. The big exception to these baby booms and busts is "Jennifer", which absolutely dominates America for a decade-and-a-half.

<http://flowingdata.com/2013/10/22/most-popular-girl-names-by-state/>

8. We the Students Scholarship Contest

<http://billofrightsinstitute.org/programs-events/students-programs-events/scholarship/>

Explore the ideas of the Constitution and your role as a citizen for a chance to win up to \$4,000!

Answer 3 questions about the ideas of the Constitution and your role as a citizen. Deadline:

December 6, 2013

Student Prizes:

1st Place – \$4,000, 2nd Place – \$2,000, 3rd Place – \$1,000, Honorable Mention (2 prizes) – \$500

When students win, teachers win! The teachers of each winner will receive prize money to reward their work in the classroom.

Teacher prizes:

1st Place – \$500, 2nd Place – \$300, 3rd Place – \$100, Honorable Mention (2 prizes) – \$50

9. Normandy: Sacrifice for Freedom

The Albert H. Small Student & Teacher Institute

June 21-July 3, 2014

<http://www.nhd.org/normandyinstitute.htm>

Albert H. Small National History Day announces an exciting and unique summer institute for teachers and students. In June 2014, fifteen student/teacher teams will engage in a rigorous study of D-Day and World War II. Students and teachers will be immersed in lectures presented by leading World War II historians, participate in a scholarly study of the war memorials in the D.C. area and walk in the footsteps of history on the beaches of Normandy. Students will study and make presentations on various aspects of the Normandy Campaign. The last day in Normandy will be a day of remembrance. The students will lay a wreath at the American Cemetery and present eulogies based on individual pre-institute research of a soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice. Expenses paid.

Normandy Institute applications are due on Monday, December 2, 2013.

10. T3G Application for 2014

The "Teachers Teaching Teachers GIS" (T3G) application for 2014 <http://esriurl.com/t3g>.

Esri (Environmental Systems Research Institute and one of several developers of GIS software). is seeking folks who could help get others in education exposed to and then use GIS. **We are looking for both educators and education influencers.** Among our alums we have educators at all levels, from grade school to grad school. We have folks from tech centers, media groups, after-school clubs, libraries, museums, parks, and educational non-profits who have attended.

Applications are due November 25, 2013. Contact NDGA office if interested!