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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This letter is to inform you about summer enrichment programs and resources available to support your child's mastery and interest in social studies skills and content over the summer:

An incomplete list of museums worth visiting this summer:

The Harrison House Museum, Barn, and Gardens

New Haven Museum

Mystic Seaport Museum Mashantucket Pequot Museum

The Mark Twain House & Museum

Harriet Beecher Stowe Center

-iCivics was founded by <u>Justice Sandra Day O'Connor</u> in 2009 to ensure that all Americans have the knowledge and will to participate in our unique experiment in self-government. Since then, iCivics has become the nation's premier non-profit civic education provider of high-quality, non-partisan, engaging, and free resources to more than 7.6 million students annually, in all 50 states. That equates to the majority of our nation's middle and high school students.

For summer break, iCivics has launched "<u>iCivics Backyard Adventure</u>", a collection of games, scavenger hunts, and activities that will help your child explore his/her community and ways that they can make an impact in it.

- -Discovering Amistad, the organization which owns the replica *Amistad* schooner, will be offering free events this summer. They have a variety of summer programs planned including a summer leadership academy, as well as sails, concerts, and more. Visit their website for locations and scheduling information. Read more information here.
- -Our state is saturated with local and national history. <u>Here</u> is a list of historical attractions from CTVisit.com you may wish to visit with your child.

Please be aware that some sites may require logging in and may collect personally identifiable information such as an email address, etc. so parents and guardians should give their child permission to access these sites, as the district cannot guarantee student data privacy. Students may use their personal email address or their school email address when visiting these summer resource sites, as long as parent permission has been granted.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Social Studies Teacher. Thank you and have a great summer!