

# CCSS 2010 NCSS Conference Scholarships for First-Time Attendees

CCSS is pleased this year to offer **two** NCSS conference scholarships in the amount of \$500 for Colorado teachers who have never been able to attend an NCSS conference in the past for lack of financial support. All teachers from Colorado who meet the qualifications are eligible to apply.

PLEASE NOTE: These two scholarships are unrelated to the registration scholarships offered by NCSS. You may apply for either of these scholarship opportunities, but not both.

The FAQs below lay out the details of what is covered, eligibility, and how to apply.

## What is the deadline for application?

All scholarship applications must be submitted online to CCSS by **September 17, 2010**. However, we encourage you to apply early while administrators are still budgeting professional development funds for the 2010-2011 school year.

## What does a CCSS Conference Scholarship cover?

The scholarship covers the conference registration fee for the 2010 Annual Meeting in Denver, a one-year regular membership in NCSS and a one-year membership in CCSS. It **can** also be used to cover additional expenses, including:

- travel, lodging and meals
- ticketed events such as tours or clinics
- substitute teacher to cover your class while you are attending the

## Who may apply for a 2010 scholarship?

The intent of the scholarship is to enable teachers from diverse ethnic groups and/or who teach in high-poverty schools who have never attended an NCSS conference before to take advantage of this premier professional development opportunity. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- first time attendee at an NCSS conference
- full-time preK-12 school teacher from Colorado
- supported by the school administrator in the desire to attend the conference

Priority will be given to applicants who are:

- in their first five years of teaching
- working in a high-poverty school

## **How do I know if I work in a high-poverty school?**

The U.S. Department of Education defines a high-poverty school in three ways:

1. The school is in district that serves at least 10,000 students from families living below the poverty line. OR
2. The school is in district in which at least 20% of its students are from families living below the poverty line. OR
3. The school receives Title 1 funding. If you are not sure whether your school meets any one of these criteria, consult your principal or district office for clarification.

## **Why do I need to get support from my principal or other administrator to apply?**

In order to take full advantage of the conference, you will need permission to be absent from your classroom on Friday, November 12. Also, your principal or administrator may be able to access professional development funds that will defray other expenses.

## **When will I find out if I received a scholarship?**

You should receive an email indicating the status of your application by October 1, 2010

## **Who should I contact if I have questions?**

If you have questions, please contact the CCSS Scholarship Coordinator, Peggy Altoff, at [paltoff@msn.com](mailto:paltoff@msn.com).

## Application

**Please review the entire form before starting to fill it out to ensure you have all the required information.** Also, please attach a resume/vita to your application.

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### Please Provide Information About Yourself

Name

*First/Given Name*

*Last/Family Name*

Home Address

Daytime Telephone

Evening Telephone (or cell)

Email

Additional Contact Information

*Note: If you have more than one email address, please put the second address under "Alternate Email". We will only use that address if there is a problem with the primary email.*

Alternate Email

Number of Years Teaching

Your current teaching assignment

Position:

Grade Level:

Social studies teaching responsibilities:

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Please provide information about the school where you currently teach

School

School Address

County in which the school is located:

Type of School



Public



Charter



Private

Locale of School



Urban



Suburban



Rural

Does your school meet any of the U.S Department of Education's definitions of a high-poverty school?

Yes  No  Not Sure

If you answered yes, check the definitions that you think apply to your school.

Check all that apply

- Located in a district that serves at least 10,000 students from poor families
- Located in a district in which at least 20% of students are from poor families
- School receives Title 1 funds
- Not Applicable

Briefly describe what you see as the benefits of attending this national conference, for both you and your students

Is there anything else you would like the scholarship selection committee to know about you, your school or your application?

Submission *Please check over your entries, making sure everything is filled out. When ready, click on the Make Submission button below.*

PLEASE attach a resume/vita with your application

Make Submission

