



FACTS ABOUT FLORIDA COUNCIL FOR THE SOCIAL STUDIES

- F.C.S.S. is a professional organization of Social Studies educators striving to maintain and enhance the importance of Social Studies in Florida education.
- It has been a professional organization since the 1950's.
- F.C.S.S. is affiliated with the National Council for the Social Studies.
- FCSS is governed by the Board of Directors. The Board meets four times a year: January, March, September, and October.
- To ensure appropriate representation, the state is divided into 18 districts of equivalent population with one or 2 directors elected from each district. An Elementary At-Large, Middle Sch. At-Large, Secondary At-Large, Private School At-Large, University At-Large, and Supervisor At-Large provide additional representation
- The Florida Council for the Social Studies, along with the National Council for the Social Studies, sponsors annual conferences to promote public awareness of Social Studies education and to provide training and staff development for it's members.
- The F.C.S.S. legislative committee is making a difference both at the state and national levels. The Florida Council for the Social Studies (F.C.S.S.) is committed to restoring our curriculum area to its rightful place among the other core, basic subject areas.
- The F.C.S.S. Endowment is a service for social studies educators which provides financing for attendance to a variety of recognized workshops, seminars and other teacher training institutes. It also supports educator mini grants for the classroom, scholarships and public awareness events.
- The Florida Council for the Social Studies recognizes the efforts and strengths Social Studies educators bring to their profession. Several awards are presented to teachers at the annual F.C.S.S. Conference.
- Professional resources are at members fingertips on the F.C.S.S. website, www.fcss.org.
- Members receive a F.C.S.S. "E-Newsletter" quarterly produced professional journal.
- The F.C.S.S. established an academic Honor Society for High School juniors and seniors and middle school titled Rho Kappa. Students must demonstrate excellent academic performance in the discipline, provided community service toward their school or community, and exhibited the attributes of leadership and good citizenship.



- F.C.S.S. is a "gold star" affiliate of the [National Council for the Social Studies](#).