



My Fellow Soldiers

Letters from World War I



National Archives

Teacher Workshop

Wednesday, July 19, 2017
8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Smithsonian National Postal Museum

This year marks 100 years since the United States entered World War I and the repercussions of that conflict can still be seen. Questions on the role of leadership, the application of propaganda and appeals to patriotism, or life on the home front continue to be relevant today.

Join the National Postal Museum and Smithsonian Learning Lab in a one-day teacher workshop detailing the role of letters and the postal service during the Great War. Letters humanize the enormity of war and the sacrifices it demands of military personnel, their family members and community. Throughout the seminar, experts aim to shed light on this challenging and significant time in American history. Participants will receive a private, curator-led tour of the new exhibition, *My Fellow Soldiers: Letters from World War I*, and strengthen their digital learning skills through the creation and publication of resources on Smithsonian Learning Lab for use in their individual classrooms.



My Fellow Soldiers Letters from World War I

Four million Americans served during World War I—the first conflict that brought the United States onto the world stage. Spend the day meeting with curators, historians, museum educators, and digital learning specialists from Smithsonian Learning Lab (www.learninglab.si.edu), while examining primary source documents detailing the American experience in 1917 and 1918. From the personal correspondence of leaders such as President Woodrow Wilson and General John Pershing, to the heart-wrenching words of soldiers, medical staff, and their loved ones, teachers will see the war through the words—and stories—of the men and women that fought and lived it.

Built upon current standards of learning—including Common Core, Virginia State Learning Standards, and the C3 Framework—this workshop is designed for upper elementary through secondary school social studies teachers.

Participants will enjoy:

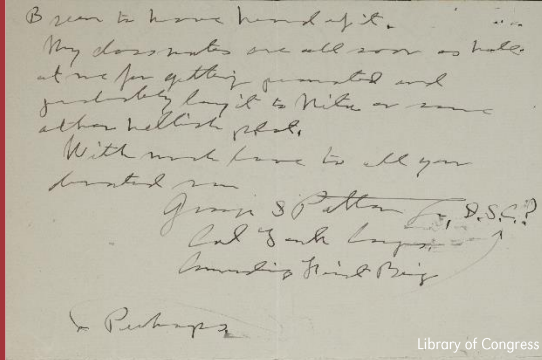
- a light breakfast and lunch
- a personalized tour of the exhibition led by the curator
- a copy of *My Fellow Soldiers: General John Pershing and the Americans Who Helped Win the War* by Andrew Carroll
- extensive classroom resources, including copies of the recently updated *We Were There: Letters from the Battle Front* curriculum packet
- a hands-on session detailing classroom applications for Smithsonian Learning Lab

Continuing Education Units available

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