

Local Heritage Lab

Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area

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Participants receive:

- **THREE free field trips with bus transportation** to UHVNHA local heritage sites in spring & fall 2024.
- **Three half-day PD releases** during the 2023-24 academic year.
- **\$350 stipend** for completion of program.



**We are recruiting teachers from Region 1 to join
Local Heritage Lab (LHL) Cohort 6 for the 2023-24 academic year.**

The goals of LHL are to connect Region 1 teachers and their students to heritage and natural resources in the region and the many people who maintain and celebrate them; provide the time and opportunity for district educators to explore, learn, and collaborate with one another through gathering at unique places in their community; and allow teachers to develop and lead customized, place-based field trips—in any subject area and for any grade level—that align with their students’ needs and abilities.

The LHL program consists of four core activities:

Summer Immersion Experience | 1 day TBD late-Summer 2023

Based at Beckley Furnace, teachers explore the site and experiment with place-based learning strategies.

Heritage Site Field Visits | Fall 2023, Winter & Spring 2024

Three half-day field visits to engage with new content, resources, and teaching strategies. Scheduled to align with cohort members’ availability. Release time authorized by Region 1 administration.

Virtual Peer Feedback Sessions | Winter 2023, Spring & Summer 2024

Three short virtual sessions to share progress and access additional resources to support field trip planning.

Lesson Implementation and Student Field Trips | Spring & Fall 2024

Teacher implementation of lessons/activities, including student field trips to UHVNHA heritage sites.

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to learn more and/or sign up.



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