

# REVOLUTIONARY BEGINNINGS

## FREE WORKSHOP FOR SOUTH CAROLINA TEACHERS

**Tuesday, January 6, 2026**

8:45 AM-3:45 PM

The Revolutionary War Visitor Center  
at Camden

212 Broad Street, Camden, SC 29020



### HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

#### SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE COLLECTIONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION INSTITUTE OF THE SOCIETY OF THE CININNATI

*Revolutionary Beginnings: War and Remembrance in  
the First Year of America's Fight for Independence*

Stacia Smith, ARI Director of Education

#### *The Revolution at Play*

Rachel Nellis, ARI Research Services Librarian

*The Saga and Legacy of Andrew Wallace, a Revolutionary  
War Veteran and the "Rescuer of Lafayette"*

Andrew Outten, ARI Historical Programs Manager

#### LESSON PLANS FROM OUR AMERICAN REVOLUTION INSTITUTE MASTER TEACHERS FROM S. CAROLINA

##### *John Laurens*

Dr. Timothy Hicks '24, Dent Middle School, Columbia

##### *The Stamp Act*

James Calvin Dodd '24, Dr. Ronald E. McNair School,  
Lake City

##### *Forging a National Identity in the Revolutionary Era*

Brock Beaver '25, RISE Academy/Dorchester School  
District 2, Summerville

##### *The Soul of America: The Challenges of Teaching the American Revolution*

Michael R. Burgess '24, River Bluff High School,  
Lexington

**Presented by**



Registration required; seven hours of professional development certified relative to the **2019 South Carolina Social Studies College- and Career-Ready Standards, Grade 4-United States & South Carolina Studies Part I, Grade 8-South Carolina and the United States, and United States History and the Constitution.** Continental breakfast and lunch provided. Funding provided by the Society of the Cincinnati of the State of South Carolina, the City of Camden, Kershaw County School District, and the South Carolina 250 Commission.

To register, contact ARI Director of Education, Stacia Smith, at:  
[ssmith@societyofthecincinnati.org](mailto:ssmith@societyofthecincinnati.org).



## TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

- 8:15 – 8:45 Continental Breakfast**  
The Revolutionary War Visitors Center at Camden
- 8:45 – 8:50 Welcome from The Society of the Cincinnati of the State of South Carolina**  
Dr. George P. Apperson III, Chairman, Education Committee
- 8:50 – 8:55 Welcome from City of Camden and Kershaw County School District**  
Matt DeWitt, City Manager, and Daniel Matthews, Chief Academic Officer
- 8:55 – 9:25 The American Revolution Institute Classroom Resources Overview & *Revolutionary Beginnings***  
Stacia J. Smith, ARI Director of Education
- 9:25 – 9:55 *The Revolution at Play***  
Rachel Nellis, ARI Research Services Librarian
- 9:55 – 10:05 Break**
- 10:05 – 12:15 Lesson Plans and Research from South Carolina American Revolution Institute Master Teacher Alumni:**  
  
“John Laurens”  
Dr. Timothy Hicks (2024), Dent Middle School, Columbia  
  
“The Stamp Act and the Charles Town, South Carolina, Sons of Liberty”  
James Calvin Dodd (2024), Dr. Ronald E. McNair School, Lake City  
  
“Forging a National Identity in the Revolutionary Era”  
Brock Beaver (2025), RISE Academy/Dorchester School District 2, Summerville  
  
“The Soul of America: The Challenges of Teaching the American Revolution”  
Michael R. Burgess (2024), River Bluff High School, Lexington
- 12:15 – 1:00 Lunch at The Revolutionary War Visitors Center at Camden**
- 1:00 – 1:45 *The Saga and Legacy of Andrew Wallace, a Revolutionary War Veteran and the “Rescuer of Lafayette”***  
Andrew Outten, ARI Historical Programs Manager
- 1:45 – 3:45 Historic Camden Tour—Visitor’s Center, Colonial Village, and Kershaw House**