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INVITATION LETTER TO MAY 3, 1989 NATIONAL MEETING

Because of your commitment to our nation’s children, schools and families, we are pleased to invite you to a special breakfast meeting on May 3, 1989 at 8:00 a.m. at the historic Charles Sumner School Museum and Archives, 1201 17th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The meeting, sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers, the National Education Association, The Learning Channel, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, and the Coordinating Committee for Ellis Island, is to brief representatives in the field of education, funding and public policy and the media about an exciting national education project—Americans All.

This project is a comprehensive public-private partnership/educational support program which addresses critical issues of our time. It provides a vehicle for enhancing skills among students, teachers and parents as well as a tool for delivering resources and needed curriculum materials into our nation’s 70,000 public schools.

Dr. Floretta McKenzie, former Superintendent of the D.C. Public School System and President of the McKenzie Group, will open the meeting and share her insights on the critical issues of school reform. The subjects of families, problem solving and higher order thinking skills, ethnic diversity, cultural awareness, and the media in the public education system will be addressed by other experts.

A brief overview of the Americans All project (with a video and slide presentation) will be given by the program developers.

Components of the Americans All program have already been successfully implemented in several school
districts across the nation. A comprehensive pilot will be initiated in the San Diego and Chicago public schools in the fall of 1989.

This unique program utilizes the social studies curriculum to teach critical thinking to build self-esteem, to reduce racism and prejudice and to equip teachers with new skills required for meeting the needs of today's diverse student population.

We look forward to your participation at this meeting and would appreciate your call to let us know you will attend.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Sreb
Eleanor Sreb, Acting Chairman
The Coordinating Committee for Ellis Island

Albert Shanker, President
American Federation of Teachers

Mary Hatwood Futrell, President
National Education Association

Dr. Samuel G. Sava, Executive Director
National Association of Elementary School Principals

Dr. Scott Thomson, Executive Director
National Association of Secondary School Principals

Dr. Harold Morse, Chairman of the Board
The Learning Channel
LIST OF ATTENDEES

American Association of Retired Persons
American Association of School Administrators
American Folklife Center
American Federation of Teachers
Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
Baltimore County Public Schools
Boys Clubs of America
Jane Scott Brown Associates
Business-Higher Education Forum
Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society
Capital Financial Group
Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Jubilee Commission
Close Up Foundation
Commission on the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution
Congressman Peter Smith
Coordinating Committee for Ellis Island
Corporation for Public Broadcasting
Council for Basic Education
Council for Education Development and Research
Council of Chief State School Officers
Council on Foundations
D.C. National Guard
Department of Education, Office of Education, Research and Improvement
Education USA
Family Resource Coalition
Future Homemakers of America
Gallagher & Widmeyer
Georgetown University, CIPRA
Philip L. Graham Fund
Senator Orrin Hatch's Office
Hispanic Policy Development Project
Hitachi Foundation
Holiday Inn Corporation
Immigration and Naturalization Service
IBM
The Learning Channel
Lowe and Mahon
Mardek, Ltd.
The McKenzie Group
Montgomery County ARTS Program
National Association of Corporate Directors
National Association of Elementary School Principals
National Association of Secondary School Principals
National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
National Catholic Education Association
National Conference of Christians and Jews
National Education Association
National Park Service
National School Board Association
Newhouse Newspapers
Phobia Society of America
Prince Georges County Public Schools
San Diego Unified School District
Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee
United Press International
Youth Project
Washington Center