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Greetings Educators!

Prospect House and Civil War Museum is excited about the upcoming 2017-18 school year and the introduction of a brand new interactive Civil War learning experience for your students. *The Civil War & Minnesota* is a new educational program that has been uniquely created for Minnesota 6th grade students and developed upon Minnesota State Social Studies Standards regarding the Civil War and Reconstruction: 1850-1877. (MDE SS #6.4.4.19.1, 2 & 3)

Make history with us and be a part of our inaugural year! When you plan a field trip to the Prospect House and Civil War Museum, your students will spend two hours learning about Minnesota's role in the Civil War, the settlement of west-central Minnesota, and the U. S. Dakota War of 1862. History comes alive as students have fun role playing the persona of a time-period character, hearing stories, and in small groups, rotating through three distinct learning modules:

Causes & Timeline of the Civil War

Together we will discuss the causes of the war and major battles that were fought. We'll look at the timeline of events leading up to and after war, and, of course, examine some actual Civil War artifacts!

Life at War & Life on the Homefront

See and feel what it was like to be a Minnesota soldier during the Civil War. Put yourself in the shoes of civilians during this time and consider what life was like for them on the home front.

Westward Expansion & the U.S.-Dakota War

Learn how the United States expanded westward and the difficult challenges it brought to the Native Americans and the many foreigners that came to Minnesota. Discover the history and growth of west central Minnesota.



The Civil War & Minnesota educational program runs on **Thursdays**. Costs are \$5.00/students; \$8.00/adults; the classroom teacher and two adult chaperones are free. We are currently scheduling morning or afternoon tour times starting in January. Dates are limited, so to get your ideal field trip date reserved or additional questions answered contact: **Jay Johnson at 218-864-4008**.



We hope you'll incorporate *The Civil War & Minnesota* into your new school year! What a great way for students to hear the stories and personally connect with the history of our state, local towns, and the people who lived in them. Join us at the museum as student learn how these connections to the past help shape the future!

"If history were taught in the form of stories, it would never be forgotten." — Rudyard Kipling