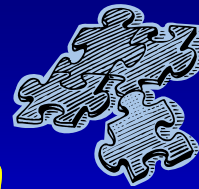




# New Teacher Academy

Utah State Office of Education  
and  
Utah State University

*Session 10*  
A History of Career and Technical  
Education



## Jigsaw!!!!

3 Expert Groups

6 Jigsaw Groups

## History of American Education

- In the South (Virginia, Carolinas, Georgia)
  - Based on the model from the Anglican Church in England (Episcopal Church in America)
    - Schools were for elite classes
  - Many young males had tutors
  - Students went on to university in England
  - Apprenticeships were essential for lower classes
  - When England fell from favor with the colonies, what happened to education in the South?

## History of American Education

- In the Middle Colonies (Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland)
  - Strong religious diversity
    - Quakers, Moravians, Mennonites, Amish, Anabaptists, Presbyterians, Catholics, Lutherans, Anglicans, Calvinists
  - Strong, independent, diverse languages
  - Individual religious communities controlled the politics & institutions

## History of American Education

- In New England (Massachusetts & Connecticut)
  - Strong Puritan influence (Congregational Church)
  - Salvation depended on one's ability to read the Bible in English
  - Literacy was related to salvation
  - Therefore, every person should be able to READ!
  - “Yea Olde Deluder satan Act” (1647) hired teacher

## History of American Education

- Land Ordinances
  - Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio
  - 1785 & 1787
    - Local citizens must take responsibility for the education of the children of the community
    - 36 mile<sup>2</sup> ... Section “16” supported a “little red schoolhouse”
- Tax-supported schools
  - Not generally instituted until 1850

## Education & the Constitution

- Amendment I

*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*

- Amendment X

*The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.*

## History of American Education

- As the nation grew ... so must education  
*"The republic must have a citizenry that can read and write!"*
- Early 1800's
  - Open, secular schools
    - Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New York
    - A movement led by Horace Mann & Henry Barnard
- Mid 1800's
  - State legislators begin taxing & schooling
    - Compulsory attendance (Massachusetts - 1852, Mississippi - 1918)

## American Universities

- 1700's - The colonial college ...
  - Intended for males ... Christian ministry
  - Offered the same course of study for all students
    - Latin & Greek for pre-admission
    - Subjects included Hebrew, ethics, politics, mathematics, botany, theology
- As the colleges changed ...
  - The curriculum was broadened
  - Jefferson led the charge
    - More math, Natural sciences, the English language & literature, some foreign language (French)
    - Early 1800's - agriculture

*But who would teach the coursework?*

## History of American Education

- 1862 (this is important!)
  - The people wanted a more practical curriculum
    - A "Peoples'" College*
      - A study of agriculture, engineering, science, & liberal arts ... (skill development)
  - The Morrill Act (Land-Grant College)
    - Legislation was introduced earlier ... vetoed by President Buchanan
    - Lincoln signed in 1862
      - The birth of the Ag school*
  - 30,000 acres / representative
  - Agriculture & Mechanical Arts & ROTC

## History of American Education

- 1875
  - High schools were common across the U.S.
- John Dewey (Teachers College - Columbia)
  - Progressivism
    - Fit education to the needs of the students
    - Individual learning, vocational education, skills dev.

## History of American Education

- 1957 - Sputnik
    - The Russians are coming!*
    - We must get back to basics!*
  - 1958 - National Defense Education Act
    - An emphasis on math, science, foreign languages
    - An attempt to surpass the USSR in the space race
- Essentialism**

## Vocational Education

- 1862 – Morrill Act
- 1917 – Smith-Hughes Act
  - Established Vocational Education
  - Established a State Board for Vocational Education
  - A segregated curriculum
    - Agriculture
    - Homemaking
    - Industrial Education
  - Two aspects
    1. Matching funds
    2. Teacher Training at the Land-Grant

## Vocational Education

- 1963 – Vocational Education Act
  - Maintained and improved vocational education
  - Persons of all ages and needs could be served
  - Significantly expanded vocational education beyond Agriculture, Home Economics, & Industrial Education
- 1984 – Current funding ... Perkin's
  - Improve the skills of the labor force
  - Provide opportunities to all students