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North Carolina Cyber Academy STUDENTS RECEIVE GRANT TO VISIT Williamsburg, VA

Keri Martin received a competitive grant from American Battlefield Trust's History Field Trip Grant Program

(Washington, D.C.) — North Carolina Cyber Academy's Keri Martin and her 9th through 12th-grade students will soon head to Williamsburg, VA, thanks to a grant from the American Battlefield Trust's History Field Trip Grant Program. This trip will provide students with an exceptional, hands-on history learning opportunity. Grants are awarded based on a competitive national application process, demonstrating Keri Martin's commitment to excellence in the classroom.

"I, along with North Carolina Cyber Academy's teachers and administrators, am thrilled to be granted this opportunity by American Battlefield Trust. With their help, we will be able to have a hands-on experience of our nation's history and our American Battlefields".

The American Battlefield Trust is the largest battlefield land preservation organization in the country, having saved more than 58,000 acres of hallowed ground across 24 states. Through visiting preserved battlefields and walking in the footsteps of the citizen soldiers who fought there, the Trust aims to provide a foundation of good citizenship for the leaders of tomorrow. The Trust strives to produce excellent educational resources in a variety of formats for both educators and the public alike, ensuring that Americans never forget how their country was forged.

Every year, the Trust receives applications from classrooms across the country to participate in the History Field Trip Grant Program, which offers funding and assistance to K-12 teachers planning field trips to Civil War, War of 1812, or Revolutionary War battlefields and related historic sites. During the 2022-2023 school year, more than 10,000 students from 33 states took part.

"These kids get a chance to go to where history was made, where our country was created and defined," said Trust President David Duncan of the History Field Trip Grant Program recipients, "Battlefields are outdoor classrooms that will teach future Americans about our democratic republic."

Keri Martin has enormous enthusiasm for teaching history and is excited to utilize Colonial Williamsburg, The Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, and the York County and Williamsburg Battlefield as an outdoor classroom that will give her students a meaningful and memorable experience. The American Battlefield Trust is proud to support and empower such excellent educators as they inspire the next generation of proud Americans.

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The American Battlefield Trust is dedicated to preserving America's hallowed battlegrounds and educating the public about what happened there and why it matters today. The nonprofit, nonpartisan organization has protected more than 60,000 acres associated with the Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Civil War. Learn more at www.battlefields.org.

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