



## ***Sharing Social Studies Perspectives About Population Education***

*Dr. Frederick Isele, Professor Emeritus*

*With the challenging year 2020 behind us, many Social Studies teachers are still looking for additional resource opportunities and instructional activities to have their students address very serious questions about COVID Pandemic issues, Global population problems, Climate Changes, et al. For those Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle School, High School and Higher Education curricular programs, there are many leading webinars, resources, and workshops available through <https://populationeducation.org/>. Here is a brief list of what Pop-Ed is doing for Social Studies teachers during the Academic Calendar of 2021:*

***The World of Seven Billion Contest:*** *This annual student video contest had over 2,500 videos received from more than 5,000 students this past year. Participants represented 35 countries, 46 states and territories and the winning entrees covered a wide range of important topics from climate change to population migration to cover crops to microfinancing programs.*

***The New Population Education Website:*** *The redesigned 2021 Pop-Ed website has additional features that cover a wonderful variety of educational resources including thematic pages, lesson plans, blogs, videos, et al.*

***The 330 Million in the USA Lesson Packet:*** *This resource challenges middle and high school students to examine trends in the American population, i.e., growth and migration, family size, education, environmental policies, and much more. Students will be able to assess and evaluation rich data sets of materials which include primary sources of information while learning about U.S. history and civic skills ~ which can be downloaded for free.*

***Pop-Ed Hosted Webinars:*** *In the year of “Zoom communications,” Pop-Ed webinars are offered to K-12 Social Studies teachers to provide support for teaching about population education. Previous webinar topics have focused attention to “Using the Census,” “The Issues of Earth Day,” “Why Populations Grow,” “Population & Water,” and others.*

*Again, check all Population Education resources at [populationeducation.org](https://populationeducation.org) or write to Population Education, 2120 L Street, NW, Suite 500, Washington, DC 20037.*