

Message from the AEHJ Editor:

Announcing a Special Edition of *AEHJ* in 2021

Greetings, Colleagues:

We are pleased to announce the *American Educational History Journal* (*AEHJ*) will publish a **Special Edition in 2021**. This Call addresses a **Special Edition of the AEHJ** entitled, *Snapshots of Educational History: Portraits of the 21st Century Pandemic*.

As the Covid-19 pandemic continues to spiral and grow around the globe, its impact on our lives—work, family, and recreation—also increases daily. The world as we knew it has truly been turned upside down. It seems normal is no more. Since the inception of this idea the Covid death rate in America alone, has risen from 200,000 to over 230,000 and counting. We believe it is the role of historians to document this unexpected, and indeed, unprecedented time of emergency. We know educational historians and other scholars are uniquely prepared to contribute on the record and provide evidence of day-to-day life and living during the Covid-19 crisis.

This **Special Edition** issue will differ from traditional *AEHJ* requirements in that we are specifically looking for **narratives**, in the vein of oral histories that tell personal stories and lived experiences. We want the voices of historians and scholars to chronicle this devastating time of crisis. It is your voices that we want to lift up. We see your stories becoming archives for future historians to learn about life during the twenty-first century pandemic—at school; with family; in sheltering and lock-down; recreation and isolation.

Submissions for the **Special Edition** will not be full-blown historical research studies. We envision the **AEHJ Special Edition** will consist of a collage of descriptive essays of approximately 8-10 double-spaced pages in length. Submissions should capture the lived experiences of schooling during the arduous and challenging months of the Coronavirus health crisis. Original unpublished essays not under consideration by any other journal or publisher, will be accepted for peer review and potential publication until February 15, 2021. Specific details are described in the attached Call (purple sheet).

**Please Note:**

We do not want you to be confused. The **Special Edition** is separate and distinct from the regular *American Educational History Journal, Volume 48*. The Call for *AEHJ Vol. 48* has already been sent out. Manuscript and book review submissions for *Volume 48* will be accepted through January 15, 2021.

For clarity and convenience, all three **2021 AEHJ Calls** are attached to this mailing. Each Call is on a different colored background.

COLOR	ISSUE	SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Blue	<i>AEHJ</i> Volume 48 Manuscript	January 15, 2021
Yellow	<i>AEHJ</i> Volume 48 Book Review	January 15, 2021
Purple	<i>AEHJ Special Edition</i>	February 15, 2021

We are excited about the *Special Edition* offering and look forward to receiving your essay submissions. If you are already working on a manuscript for *Volume 48*, we are anxious to receive it. If you are not, we hope you will consider this opportunity to submit an essay for potential peer review and publication in the *AEHJ Special Edition—Snapshots of Educational History: Portraits of the 21st Century Pandemic*.

As always, if you have questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the *AEHJ* Editor. Contact information is on the attached Call sheets. Also, please **help us to publicize** this exciting offering by forwarding it for circulation to your professional networks and personal contacts.

In the meantime, continue to stay safe and be well!

Sincerely,

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