**YAM Monthly Checklist 2016/17**

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|  | Date Completed |  |
| Early Fall |  | * Begin planning how to use the 2016/17 Theme “**United through Art**” * Set goals for your school/county (e.g. increase community involvement, create shows of student work, meet with local leaders like the Mayor, divide jobs for each art teacher in your county, etc.) |
| October |  | * Give students the YAM Flag Contest form to create designs for this year’s Virginia Flag (see VAEA website for official form) |
| November |  | * Attend the VAEA Conference and join us for the Easy as (YAM) Pie Session * Complete YAM Flag Entries |
| December |  | * YAM Flag Entries are due December 14th   Mail to:  Jess Beach  550 Alwington Blvd.  Warrenton, VA 20186 |
| January |  | * Begin contacting your local leaders and legislators (i.e. Mayor, Delegates, Superintendent, School Board Members, Principals, etc.) and ask them to sign the proclamation/endorsement (see VAEA website for official form) * Plan art shows by preparing student work, selecting space, and organizing ways of documenting through local media |
| February |  | * Promote events via hanging posters, sending invitations to VIP's and sending press releases to media |
| March |  | * IT’S HERE! Below are possible ways to celebrate:   - Meet with leaders and legislators to get  proclamation/endorsement signed  - Hold shows of student work  - Students can produce materials (buttons, t-shirts,  posters, balloons, etc.)  - Find a way to help your community through art (paint a mural, give artwork to hospital, etc.)  - Unite with your music programs and host an Arts Concert  - Create your own unique way of celebrating and share it  with others! |
| April |  | * Send thank you notes to community members who participated in YAM * Prepare to document your YAM events and materials in your county’s YAM Book * Get the YAM Book Organization Template and YAM Book Grading Rubric off the VAEA website * Divide each section of the book for art teachers in your county (easier than just one person putting it all together) |
| May |  | * Start putting the book together |
| June |  | * Books are due June 14th   You can either digitally submit to [jessicabeach4@gmail.com](mailto:jessicabeach4@gmail.com)  or  Mail to  Jess Beach  550 Alwington Blvd  Warrenton, VA 20186 |