

## Black History Month

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Good Morning,

As you know, February is Black History Month. All teachers and buildings are highly encouraged to recognize and celebrate Black History month in ways that enhance and supplement the daily learning experience. Feel free to encourage classroom discussions, highlight historical facts, and support student inquiry. Some examples of this might include:

- Using resources that enhance ongoing lessons/activities that provide a deeper understanding of topics
- Finding ways to connect past issues with current events
- Finding real-world issues in our local area that connect with current lessons
- Providing opportunities for students to discuss and reflect in developmentally appropriate ways
- Taking opportunities that occur to reinforce that Black History is our shared history and that it's integrated throughout our lives and daily experiences

Listed below are some websites sent to the Diversity committee for Black History Month. There are many more great websites, but these are a good starting place for those looking for resources.

- [Teaching Tolerance](#)
- [National Geographic Kids](#)
- [Scholastic](#)
- [We Are Teachers](#)
- [National Education Association](#)
- [Ducksters](#)

Lastly, I would encourage you to review the "[Black History Month Resource Guide for Educators and Families](#)," from the Center for Racial Justice in Education. This guide has a plethora of articles and resources that may be useful.

Thanks, and have a great week!

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