

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2023

DCPS Social Studies Department



IDEAS TO CELEBRATE

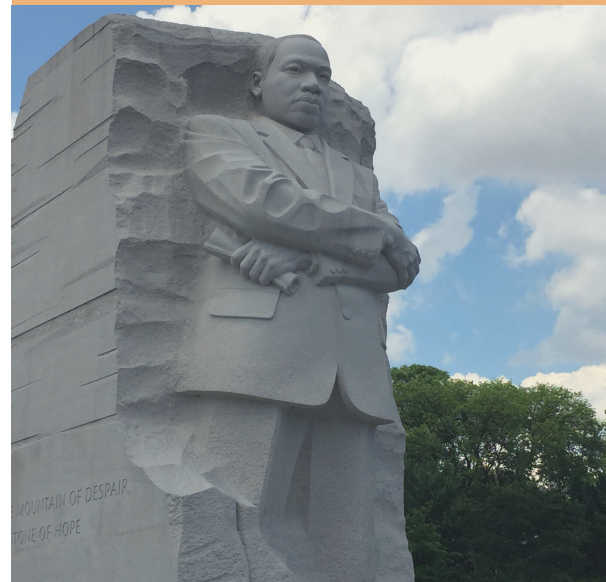
School-wide suggestions

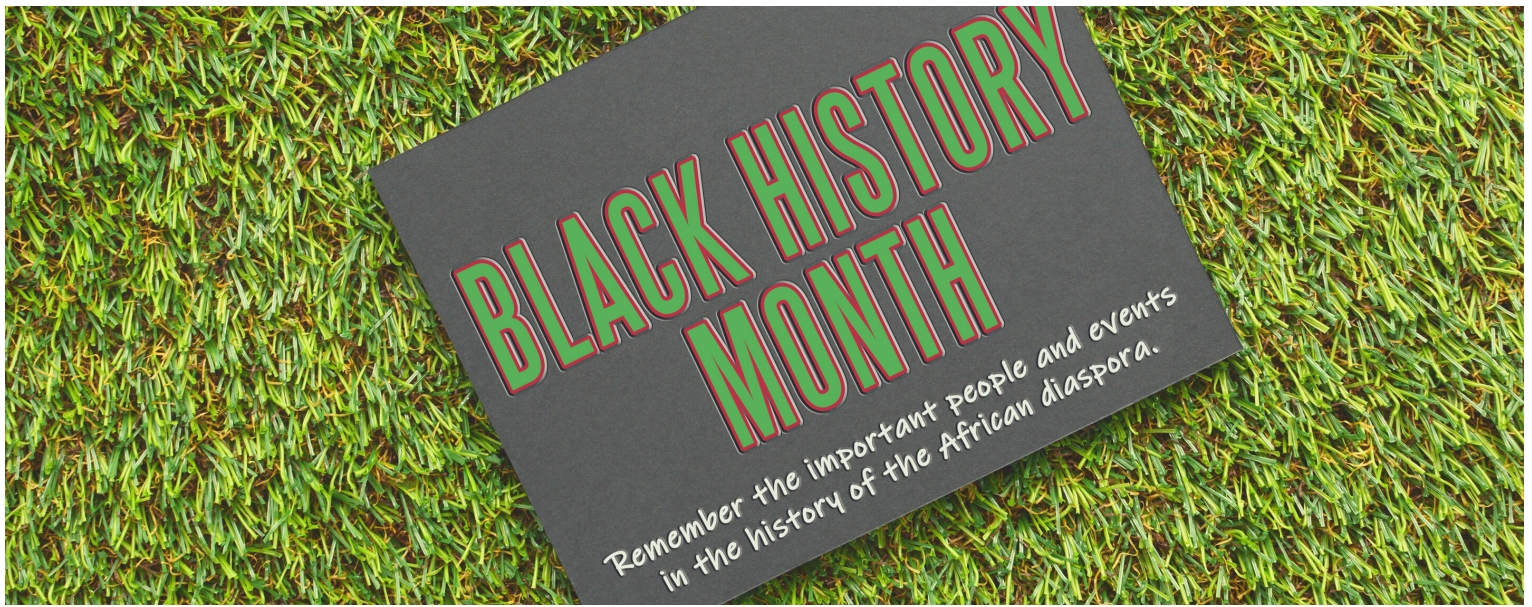
- Announce a trivia question either on your news program or morning announcements. Please find the list [here](#).
- Play music during transition from famous African American musicians
- Focus on books about Black History or by African American authors
- Create a timeline in the cafeteria of notable African Americans or African American History.
- Invite a local leader to speak to students about African American history.
- Have classes create a living museum.
- Decorate bulletin boards with events and people in African American history.
- Plan a field trip! Virtual options are available! Check out our [flyer](#).
- Work with clubs and organizations at your school to create posters to decorate the hall and cafeteria.
- Hold a poetry contest and have students read the poems during lunch.

Already have events planned.
Please share [here](#).

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Black History Month is here. The Social Studies Department put together the following information to help schools as they plan celebrations for Black History Month.





RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS:

All Grade Levels:

- Use the lessons for our African American Summer Writing Institute. Teachers can find them in the Social Studies Curriculum Guides.
- Create a newsletter or magazine. Include short stories, biographies, and even poems.

Elementary:

- <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tools-tips/black-history-month-lessons-resources>

Middle School:

- <https://www.icivics.org/news/blog-post/black-history-month-lesson-plans-and-resources-classroom-0>
- <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tools-tips/black-history-month-lessons-resources>

High School:

- <https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tools-tips/black-history-month-lessons-resources>

Other Resources:

- [History behind Black History Month](#)
- africanamericanhistorymonth.gov
- [Smithsonian](#)
- [National Archives](#)
- [ASALH](#)
- [National Geographic Kids](#)
- [Activities for February and Beyond](#)

District Black History Month Contest:

- [Elementary Contest](#)
- [Elementary Rubric](#)
- [Secondary Contest](#)
- [Secondary Rubric](#)



Don't forget to check out our [Teams](#) page weekly to get more ideas, lessons, historical facts, and local events for Black History Month.