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.

**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.](#)
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:

Middle School:

High School:

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.