

# Black Rock Middle School

LMSD schools will celebrate Black History Month with a variety of educational and enrichment activities throughout February. African-American history is part of the year-long curriculum at all levels, but teachers and students will take extra time throughout the month for further exploration of significant historical figures and events. Displays throughout the schools will feature art, literature and general information reinforcing curricular learning while a variety of programs and classroom-specific activities will emphasize the significance of African-Americans throughout history.

In addition to individual classroom and team activities, students at Black Rock will be engaging in the following programming for Black History Month:

#### Diversity Announcements

 We will have diversity dispatches on the morning announcements each week, highlighting people and events relevant to the National Theme of Black Resistance – A Journey Towards Equality. Students will also hear a "book blurb" each day during the daily announcements about books written by Black middle-grade and young-adult authors every day in February, all of which are available for check out in the library.

### <u>Daily Trivia</u>

 This is a school-wide trivia activity that will last the entire month. All students will hear the trivia question during morning announcements and will have a chance to answer it during lunch to be entered into a daily raffle to win a prize.

#### <u>"Who's Who?" Artist & Activist Edition</u>

This is an interactive display that will feature poster-sized images of artists and activists. Students and staff will have the opportunity to try to guess the names of each featured figure as well as their impact or what they are specifically known for. The last week of the month, answers will be revealed.

## <u>African-American Read-In</u>

On 2/16/23, Black Rock will have a school-wide *Read-In* based on works of the author Jason Reynolds. Classroom teachers will have lessons shared with them so this is a common experience across all grades.

## • Digital Teacher Resource Library

 Created and curated by an amazing team of teachers, this resource library has background content, student activities and classroom resources that will fit the need of any teacher at any level of comfort with classroom elements related to Black History.

