

Lower Merion High 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 deeper 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.



Advisory lessons occurring throughout the month of February will draw interdisciplinary connections between different Black History Month ideas/themes and the Anti-Defamation League's "No Place for Hate" programming.



Student-created posters around the building celebrating aspects of Black History.



The Black Student Union (BSU) and Student Council are collaborating to create banners honoring and celebrating Black History Month that will be hung throughout the school.



The BSU has organized <u>Shades of Black: A Black History Program</u>, an educational and entertaining event that will serve as a special celebration of Black History Month.



The BSU will be hosting a Black History Month Jeopardy and Uno competition where

students will test their knowledge on all things related to Black History.



The BSU will be hosting a movie night featuring a film (TBD) that highlights and depicts a story connected to Black History.



There are also a number of other classroom-based activities happening throughout the school during the month of Februrary. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- <u>US History</u>: Students are reading and analyzing "Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny and the Fight for Civil Rights " - the story of an explosion and protest at a segregated naval base during WW2.
- Math: a) Daily bell-ringer highlighting and discussing black mathematicians. b) Specifically highlighting the work of John Urschel, Katherine Johnson, Valerie Thomas and more through Desmos activities.
- <u>Psychology</u>: Daily recognition of people of color in the field of psychology. <u>Honors/CP Government</u>: Civil Rights Voting Unit and Voting History including the showing of "Selma." Along with that, students will have a project/reflection associated with the mov wil