

2023-24 Monthly Themes

Month and Important Dates	Optional Resources (NSD Website) Culturally Responsive Instruction for Holidays and Religious Celebrations	RCW's
<u>September:</u> Hispanic and Latino/a/x Heritage Week of Engagement Our Names are Important • Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu), Sept. 19 • Mid Autumn/Moon Festival (Chinese/Asian Cultures) Sept. 29 • Rosh Hashanah (Jewish): Sept. 15-17 • Feast of Trumpets (Non Denominational Christian) Sept 15-17 • Yom Kippur (Jewish) Sept. 24-25 • Feast of Tabernacles (Non Denominational Christian) Sept. 29-Oct.6 • National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Indigenous): Sept. 30	School and Classroom Resources: • National Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month • Books: Hispanic and Latinx Heritage Month • Books in MH Library • "Hispanic Heritage Month 2017: Its History and Ways to Celebrate" (Video for teachers/Intermediate) • "Hispanic Heritage Month Be Inspired Disney Channel" (Video for kids) Moon Festival Links: • Moon Festival Resources (Grace Lin) • Grace Lin Autumn Moon Festival 2023 ◦ pw: cx91\$d9w ◦ Link to Drawing Sheet • Korean Moon Folk Song • https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eNHNqQkLoVY • https://youtu.beGk3q7MmlolU • https://www.chinatravel.com/culture/mid-autumn-festival Read-Alouds: • Where Are You From, By Yamile Saies Mendez (RR) • Pepe And The Parade - Children Story For Hispanic Heritage Month • Dreamers By Yuyi Morales • Alma and How She Got Her Name by Juana Martinez-Neal • Cuckoo A Mexican Folktale	• Pledge of Allegiance • Constitution Day (September 17)
<u>October:</u> Disability Awareness Our Disabilities are Important • Feast of Tabernacles (Non Denominational Christian) Sept. 29-Oct.6 • Indigenous Peoples Day (Columbus Day) Oct. 9 • Birth of Bahá'u'lláh (Bahai) Oct. 17 • Halloween Oct. 31	School and Classroom Resources: • Intro to Disability Justice • Intro to Disability Justice (slide deck) • Books in MH Library • One Out of Five: Disability History and Pride Project • National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2021 • Disability Employment Awareness Month Toolkit Read-Alouds: • All the Way to the Top, By Annette Bay Pimental (RR)	• Pledge of Allegiance • Teaching about disability awareness

• Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead): Nov. 1 • Diwali Oct 31-Nov1	• I'm Here • Just Ask!: Be Different. Be Brave. Be You • MY BROTHER CHARLIE Dia de los Muertos Links: Pebble Go Article World Book Online Article Diwali Links: Pebble Go Article World Book Online Article (may need to login: username: maywoodhills, pw: nsd417) National Geographic Kids Article	
<u>November:</u> Indigenous Heritage Month Our Features are Important	School and Classroom Resources: NSD Native Heritage Month Resources • Since Time Immemorial • Tips for teaching about Native peoples • https://native-land.ca/ Read-Alouds: • Indigenous Peoples' Day • We are Still Here	• Pledge of Allegiance • Veterans Day (Nov. 11)
<u>December:</u> Human Rights Our Families are Important • Chanukah (Jewish) Dec 16 - Dec 26 • Christmas (Christian) Dec 25th	School and Classroom Resources: • Stand Up For Human Rights Read-Alouds: • It Feels Good to Be Yourself	• Pledge of Allegiance
<u>January:</u> Civil Rights Our Actions are Important • New Year's Day Jan. 1 • Hindu Harvest Festival Jan 13-15 • ML King, Jr. Day Jan. 16 • Lunar New Year Jan. 22	School and Classroom Resources: Wing Luke Museum New Years All Around National Civil Rights Museum Small but Mighty Storytime NW African American Museum NW African American Museum Interactive Storytime Archive Hindu Harvest Festival Lunar New Year Videos: https://youtu.be/wN2HsZvrXpC. kids' friendly version https://youtu.be/O_Yng9CZIU8 for everybody https://youtu.be/oKICzFfKSzM for everybody	• Pledge of Allegiance • Martin Luther King Jr. Day • Civil Rights Education

	https://youtu.be/UT6z66clQ5E Differences on Lunar New Year in China, Japan, Korea and Vietnam. Read-Alouds: The Subway Sparrow Alejandria Fights Back Swimmy The Youngest Marcher Sometimes People March	
February: Our Traditions are Important Black History Month • Black Lives Matter at School Week of Action Feb. 6-10 • MH Kindness Week Feb. 13 - 17 • Valentines Day Feb 14 • Random Acts of Kindness Day Feb 17 • Presidents Day Feb. 20 • Lent Feb. 22 - April 6	School and Classroom Resources: • The Black Lives Matter at School resource guide created by the Racial and Educational Justice Department is on this Google Doc. • For additional Black Lives Matter at School resources and recordings on the Racial and Educational Justice Department website, click here. • Elementary Read Aloud start at 1:11 to hear the story • To learn more about the purpose and details of Black Lives Matter at School Week of Action, you can visit the official site. • To view and download free Black Lives Matter at School resources, posters, and activity ideas, from early childhood to high school, click here. • Random Acts of Kindness Day Resources	• Pledge of Allegiance
March: 2023 Visionaries (Northshore's student justice conference) Our Identities are Important Women's History Month Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month Holi (Hindu) March 8 Nowruz, Persian New Year, March 21-22 Ugadi/Yugadi New Year (Telugu/Kannada) March 22 Ramadan (Muslim) March 22 - April 21	<i>Please help us spread the word and get Northshore's high school students registered!</i> Women's History Booklist: https://www.worldcat.org/lists/48abde4b-4af0-4bb8-a535-fbd1e87a7548?limit=25&offset=76&orderBy=created-dsc Developmental Disabilities Awareness Info: https://nacdd.org/ddam1/ Holi: https://www.holifestival.org/ Ugadi/Yugadi: https://www.hinduamerican.org/blog/5-things-to-know-about-ugad Ramadan: https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/history/article/ramadan	• Pledge of Allegiance
April: Arab Heritage Our Histories are Important Autism Awareness Day, April	School and Classroom Resources: • Supporting Arab American Students in the Classroom	• Pledge of Allegiance

2nd -Passover (Jewish), April 5 - 13)Feast of Unleavened Bread) -Easter (Christian), April 9 -Vaisakhi (Sikh) , April 14th -Eid al-Fitr (Islamic), April 21-22 (End of Ramadan)	Read-Alouds: (all in MH Library) Alejandria Fights Back by Leticia Hernandez-Linares Malala's Magic Pencil by Malala Yousafzai Sometimes People March by Tessa Allen We are the Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom Farmer Will Allen and the Growing Table by Jacqueline Briggs Martin How to Heal A Broken Wing by Bob Graham	
May: Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Our Actions are Important	School and Classroom Resources: • AAPI Heritage Month Resources for Teachers • NEA: Teaching Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage • Teach AAPI Read-Alouds: • Resources to come	• Pledge of Allegiance
June: Pride Our Actions are Important	School and Classroom Resources: • GLSEN's Rainbow Library • Rainbow Collection • LGBTQ+ Resources for Administrators • Understanding the Gender Spectrum • "Gender Identity: Why It's More Important Than Ever to Educate Yourself and Your Family" by Nancy Schatz Alton Read-Alouds: • Karamo Brown Reads "I Am Perfectly Designed" Bookmarks Netflix Jr • The Reflection in Me • Sparkle Boy Lesléa Newman Stories about Gender Identity for Kids LGBTQ • Magination Press Story Time - Michael Genhart Reads Rainbow • It Feels Good to Be Yourself	• Pledge of Allegiance