

Elmora School No. 12 Black History Month- February 2021					
Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten	We have been discussing the importance of diversity and equity in our classroom. We have started in the beginning of the year with the phrase "Being different is GOOD, being the same is BORING!". The kids love it!	We did the Egg Experiment to identify that just like eggs, we may look different on the outside but on the inside, we are all the same- human. Students also completed the project, "With my own two hands" after learning about the impact Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had and continues to have on our country.	We will be celebrating Black History Month, students will be learning about the men and women who have made a lasting impact on us all. We will continue to educate students on this and the importance of diversity and equity.	Students will be celebrating Black History Month by celebrating diversity. Students will be listening to 2 audio picture books appropriate for kindergarten named "A Picture Book of Frederick Douglass" and "A Picture Book of Harriet Tubman" I also attached 2 pictures the MK activities that we completed as a class. Throughout the month we will discuss equality, different cultures, respect for all people, and that we must treat each other like how we want to be treated.	
Autism Special Ed	black history month, the students were reviewing the traffic light, making their own traffic light and watching the video of the inventor, Lester Wire. We will be watching the following video to bring awareness and understanding to the concept of the traffic light and the significance that it still has in our lives today. [Garrett Morgan Traffic Light Video for Kids] Black History for Kindergarten] Kids Songs - YouTube				
First Grade	African Americans who made a positive impact in society. After discussing several people, students to make a poster with facts about one person that they can choose. Students will have an opportunity to present their poster to the class.	Students will create an individual book report then present them to the class. A folder of books will be created by using Epic and upload the report template to seewax. This way students will have choice; they can write, record, or video their presentation.			
Second Grade	Provide students will inspirational quotes (Ex. Maya Angelou, Oprah Winfrey) Focus on children who made a difference (I will show a video about Ruby Bridges) Embracing our differences: Each student will be paired with another student they don't usually talk to. They will have to find out one interesting fact about that person's life.	Students are currently reading about W.E.B. Du Bois and students are writing an opinion essay explaining how his actions changed the lives of others			
Third Grade		The Hill We Climb" by Amanda Gorman The students discussed the poem and picked out their favorite line.	<p>African American History Month PowerPoint</p> <p>You will be picking a famous African American from American history. You will do research on your person using the internet and approved websites to gather information about your person. Make 3 slides explaining why your person is important to African American history. Make sure you include a minimum of 2 details on each slide about your person. Slide 1: who they are Slide 2: 1-3 slides about this person's accomplishments. Slide 3: Why is this person an important figure. Include a picture and a picture of the person.</p>	Students have selected a prominent figure for Black History Month and will be conducting research on the individual. Once, research is completed they will be creating a PowerPoint presentation outlining this person's early life, major accomplishments, and importance in history.	
Fourth Grade	The 4th grade is planning something similar to the wax museum but it will be virtual. All three homerooms will be doing something different. One homeroom will be doing research and biographies on famous African American mathematicians and scientists. Another homeroom will do famous poets/ writers/ politicians/ civil rights activists. The last homeroom class will do sports and entertainment. Students will create their biographies on power point or word document. Once complete, a date will be set with virtual student presentations inviting parents to come.				
Fifth Grade	Each student will complete a two page PowerPoint of a Famous African American, any genre, and find his/her famous quote. Page 1 will include the famous person, his/her quote and a picture of that person. Page 2 will include a writing from the student explaining what this quote means and how what is its impact				
Sixth/Seventh Grade	In the Social Studies curriculum in 6 th and 7 th grade. Students are discussing the contributions of Africans both in the development of the United States of America and civilizations in the World History context. For example, we are discussing African Americans in American Revolutionary War (ex. 1 st martyr Ciprus Attucks) and are examining cultural diffusion, scientific accomplishments and the development of the Ancient Egyptians' civilization.	In LAL class students will focus on the theme and historical background knowledge of the holocaust and WWII. Teachers, will be discussing key words such as prejudice, discrimination, prestige, race, ethnicity, power, and social class, although it's a different time, I will also tie in black history month and bring up some examples from seventh grade and I believe 4th grade since they focused on slavery.			
Eighth Grade	Students will choose an influential African American and create a PowerPoint about their accomplishments and experience.				
Physical Education	The teachers will be playing very short videos/talking about African American athletes in class. For the elementary students we will be talking about what sport the individual played and some stats. The same will be discussed for middle school students, except we will be adding in how hard it was for the African American athletes to break through the color barrier and be able to play professionally or in The Olympics.	Students will research one of the first african american athletes in any sport, and write about their accomplishments, and struggles they had to overcome to be successful and pave the way for athletes to follow them.			
Arts/Band	The art classes will discuss the African American Female Artist named Beverly Buchanan along with making drawings and sculptures inspired by her work.	In band class students are learning about Jazz and listening to the best African American jazz musicians of all time			