

ALL PRINCIPALS/APs/TEACHERS: Social Sciences- 2016 Black History Month Theme and Instructional Resources

**Category:** *For Your Information*

**Audience:** All Principals/APs, All Teachers

**Due Date:** n/a

**Meeting Date:** n/a

**Attachment(s):** Black\_History\_Month\_2016\_Power\_Point.ppt

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The Department of Social Sciences announces the 2016 Black History Month theme and available instructional resources for elementary and secondary schools.

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- Each February, Black History Month, also known as African American History Month, gives our diverse community an additional opportunity to recognize and celebrate the many historic, cultural, social, political, and economic contributions of African Americans. Additionally, Florida State Statute 1003.42 requires the study of the history of African Americans.
- The 2016 Black History Month theme is “Hallowed Grounds: Sites of African American Memories.”
- Information on this year’s theme may be found at the website of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History at <http://asalh100.org/future-themes/http://asalh100.org/future-themes/http://asalh100.org/future-themes/http://asalh100.org/future-themes/>
- The Department of Social Sciences has developed elementary and secondary instructional resource guides to support instruction during Black History Month. The guides include background information, lesson plans, Internet resources, and other activities to support the character education core value for February (kindness).
- To access the elementary and secondary instructional resource guides, click on the links below. Please feel free to download and duplicate as necessary.
- **2016 Elementary Black History Month Resource Guide**
- **2016 Secondary Black History Month Resource Guide**
- The 2016 Black History Month Instructional Resource Guides are also available for downloading from the Department of Social Sciences’ website: <http://socialsciences.dadeschools.net>. Look under “Current News” and find the file titled “Instructional Resources.”
- Additionally, the Department of Social Sciences has prepared the attached Black History Month Power Point presentation. The Power Point may be utilized as part of the school-wide opening exercises or by individual classroom teachers.
- Additional resources to support Black History Month have been developed by the Florida Department of Education African American History task force and are available at <http://afroamcurriculum.org/http://afroamcurriculum.org/http://afroamcurriculum.org/>
- For additional information about Black History Month, please contact Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor, Department of Social Sciences, at the number listed below, or by email at [sherrilynsconfig@daedchools.net](mailto:sherrilynsconfig@daedchools.net).

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