

ALL PRINCIPALS/APs/TEACHERS: Social Sciences- National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month, 2018  
*Category: For Your Information*

**Audience:** All Principals/APs, All Teachers  
**Due Date:** n/a  
**Meeting Date:** n/a

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To provide instructional resources to schools to support National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month.

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- Each November, the nation observes National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month.
  - The Division of Academics, Department of Social Sciences has compiled instructional resource guides for elementary and secondary school classrooms to support instruction on the history and cultures of American Indians and Alaska Natives throughout the month of November.
  - The instructional resource guides include background information, full lesson plans, suggested Internet resources, and activities to support the character education core value for November (citizenship). Since Thanksgiving is also celebrated in November, a fact-based lesson is provided on the harvest feast (Thanksgiving) that took place in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1621.
  - To access the National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month resource guides, please click on the following links:  
[Elementary Native American History Instructional Guide 2018](#)  
[Secondary Native American History Instructional Guide 2018](#)
  - Additionally, the Department of Social Sciences has prepared a PowerPoint presentation, available by accessing the link below, for National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. The PowerPoint may be utilized as part of the school-wide opening exercises or by individual classroom teachers.  
[Native American History Month 2018 PowerPoint](#)
  - National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month resources are also posted under the District's "[Curriculum Resources](#)" tile through the portal. Once you have logged in, see the tab titled: "Special Commemorative Resources."
  - Should you have questions about these resources or need additional information, please contact Mr. Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, at [rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net](mailto:rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net), or see the contact information below.
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