

CAMPUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH ACTIVITIES

FEBRUARY, 2012

ENGLISH

Study/Focus on Harlem Renaissance Writers

Poetry

Langston Hughes
Countee Cullen
William DuBois

Short Story/Drama

Alice Walker
Lorraine Hansberry
Maya Angelou
Toni Morrison
Walter Dean Myers

PSSA Initiative:

Test annotation, tone/mood, author's purpose, main idea, summary

MATHEMATICS

Focus on 3 African/American Mathematicians and Contributions

Wk. #1 David Blackwell – Nationally recognized mathematician

Wk. #2 Euphemia Haynes – First female African/American to earn a PHD in Math

Wk. #3 Donald Richards – Studies/work in Probability and Statistics

PSSA Initiative:

Open end questions/multiple choice PSSA style questions, BICS strategies

SOCIAL STUDIES

Black History Figures (Study Island Assessments)

Face Book Activity – Black History Figures

Flash Card Activity – Black History Figures

PSSA Initiative:

Study Island Assessments

SCIENCE

African American Scientists

Biology/Chemistry/Physics

Video/Reading Passages

PSSA Initiative:

Annotation, summary, BICS Strategy

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Child Development – Study of Children's Literature – Authors/Illustrators

Culinary Arts – Unit on African Foods – including geography, culture and cuisine

PSSA Initiative:

Reading Strategies, main idea, summary, PSSA style questions

ART

Exclusive study of Dane Tilghman - Local AA artist. Works include Cooperstown Baseball Hall of Fame, Sports Illustrated, Negro League Prints

PSSA Initiative:

Reading Strategies

WORLD LANGUAGE

Daily paragraph readings with translations of notable African/Americans/Hispanics/Germans/French

PSSA Initiative:

Multiple Choice PSSA style questions, author's purpose, main idea, summary

WELLNESS/FITNESS

Highlight/recognize African/American CASH Hall of Fame Athletes with pictures/short biographies in class

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

Daily trivia questions based on African/American inventors, technology contributions and career firsts

MUSIC

Study of works composed by or made famous by African/American composers. This study would include reading about the life and times of the composer/artist, a study of the lyrics to vocal music and tone of instrumental music, listening activities and comparisons to other music and other disciplines. Each topic will include questions of both the multiple choice and open ended nature in order to also help our students with test taking strategies.

Instrumental Groups – Duke Ellington, “Take the A Train”, Ella Fitzgerald, “Blue Skies”, James and John Johnson, “Lift Every Voice and Sing”.

Vocal Groups – The Temptations, Barry Gordie, Lauren Hill, Monica

BUSINESS EDUCATION

Computer Applications – Students will create a PowerPoint presentation on a topic or person related to Black History

Flash – Students will create a Flash movie on a topic or a person related to Black History. A Flash movie is a movie that is compelling and interactive created with animation.

HTML – Students will create a website on a topic or a person related to Black History

Expression – Students will create a website on a topic or a person related to Black History

PowerPoint – Students will create a PowerPoint presentation on a topic or a person related to Black History

Word – Students will create a Newsletter on a topic or a person related to Black History

Sport and Entertainment Marketing – Students will discuss, critique and analyze how African-Americans have progressed in Sports and Entertainment

Entrepreneurship – Students will discuss, critique and analyze past and present successful African/American entrepreneurs

Finance – Students will discuss, critique and analyze how African/Americans have impacted the financial world as a producer and consumer

WCHS

Campus wide **“Who Am I?”** contest daily starting on Monday February 6th, through Wednesday, February 29th. Each day our advisories will be shown a portrait of a famous African/American along with the reading of a short biography. Each advisory will have the opportunity to identify this famous person, and the advisory in each building with the most correct answers through February 29th will be treated to breakfast.