Black History Month was created by Carter G. Woodson in February 1926. Originally called Negro History Week, Woodson created the concept so students would have the opportunity to learn Black History. Woodson chose the second week in February in celebration of Frederick Douglass and President Abraham Lincoln.

For additional information and resources, visit Tucson Unified’s African American Student Services website at tusd1.org/aassd.

For questions about events and activities please call our office at 584-7500.

2022 BHM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb. 1-28 – African American Read-In
During the month of February, we join schools, libraries and communities across the country to make literacy a significant part of Black History. Visit tusd1.org/aassd

Feb. 1-28 – Schools Post Black History Facts

Feb. 1-28 – Black History Month Daily Facts
Posted on the AASSD site and Facebook

Feb. 1, 6-7:30 p.m. – Tennessee State University Information Session and Scholarship Awards
tusd1.zoom.us/j/84404807657

Feb. 2, 11-11:30 a.m. – Celebrate World Read Aloud Day with Author Tami Charles (Grades: K-3)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
forms.office.com/r/fqpQBWbxFz

Feb. 2, 2 p.m. – African American Artists from the Smithsonian American Art Museum (Grades: 3-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 8, 9:30 a.m. – African American Trailblazers: Pro-Football Hall of Fame (Grades: 6-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 8, 6-7 p.m – Black Minds Matter: Uncovering Racial Trauma, Part 2
Dr. Da’Mond Holt: tusd1.zoom.us/j/84404807657

Feb. 9, 8:30-9 a.m. – Book Reading: Have You Thanked an Inventor Today? with Microsoft (Grades: K-5)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
forms.office.com/r/fqpQBWbxFz

Feb. 10, 10 a.m. – Making A Way Out of No Way: African American Soldiers in World War II from the National Museum of the Army (Grades: 5-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 10, 6-7 p.m. – Celebrating Black Civic Engagement: NAACP, Tucson Urban League, IMA, Jack & Jill of America
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Green dates are for teachers
Red dates are open to the community
Feb. 11, 11 a.m. – African American Artists from the Smithsonian American Art Museum (Grades: 3-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 12, 10-11 a.m. – Tucson Alliance of Black School Educators (TucABSE)
Book discussion around Ratchetdemic: Reimagining Academic Success by Christopher Emdin
tusd1.zoom.us/my/andrea.steele

Feb. 14-23 – Inspiring Guest Lecture Series
Classroom presentations by request and availability. Visit tusd1.org/aassd to sign-up as a speaker or call 584-7500.

Feb. 15, 10 a.m. – African American Trailblazers: Pro-Football Hall of Fame (Grades: K-5)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 16, 11 a.m. – Cultural Diversity: Diversity in the Dugout with the National Baseball Hall of Fame (Grades: 3-8)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 19 – Living History Project & African American Parent Conference
• 10-10:30 a.m. – Books, Black Authors and Black History: Celebrating Local African American Authors
Airing on CBS affiliate KOLD Channel 13
• 11-12:30 p.m. – African American Parent Conference
Keynote Speaker: Desiree Cook, CEO, I Am You 360
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Feb. 22, 11 a.m. – Design A Kanga with the Penn Museum (Grades: K-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 22, 12-1 p.m. – Selma to Montgomery Experience with Microsoft (Grades: K-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 23, 9-10 a.m. – Selma to Montgomery Experience with Microsoft (Grades: K-12)
Teachers sign-up in advance:
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Feb. 23, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. – BHM Virtual Brain Bowl Competition for Middle School Teams
Sign-up: sharon.williams@tusd1.org

Feb. 28 – Submission Date for the Laura Banks Acrostic Poetry Contest for Elementary Students
Send to: keshia.cortez@tusd1.org

Feb. 28 – Submission Date for the “Black, Free, to Be Me” Poetry Contest for Middle and High School Students
Send to: keshia.cortez@tusd1.org

Feb. 28, 4 p.m. – Virtual BHM Bingo for Educators
Complete activities on the bingo card and participate in the bingo game to win $500 for supplies: tusd1.zoom.us/j/84404807657

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