



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 2024

TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



BLACK HISTORY MONTH ACTIVITIES!

🌟 HAPPY BLACK HISTORY MONTH TUSD Community 🌟!

Get ready for a thrilling journey through Black History Month with African American Student Services! This newsletter is your all-access pass to a vibrant array of events designed to celebrate, educate, and inspire. School staff, you're just a click away from embarking on this enriching adventure! Use the links below to reserve your spot in our dynamic Black History Month activities.



📖 Explore our brand-new [Black History Month Website](#), a vibrant hub of educational treasures launching **February 1st!** This innovative platform, created in collaboration with the **Culturally Responsive Department**, offers an extensive range of activities and resources meticulously crafted for teachers and parents to engage with students, and for students to embark on independent learning adventures. Dive into a world where history comes alive, fostering understanding, creativity, and unity. Whether in the classroom or at home, our new [website](#) is your gateway to a deeper exploration of the rich tapestry of Black history. Begin your journey of discovery and inspiration today!

And remember, our team is here to ensure your experience is seamless and extraordinary. If questions arise or you need a helping hand, don't hesitate to reach out at 520-225-3640.

Let's dive into this celebration of heritage and unity together! ✨

Dr. Tonya R. Strozier
Director

Field Trip Sign Up



FIELD TRIP TO AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA

Get ready for an exhilarating leap into history! This Black History Month, AASSD and EEF are thrilled to sponsor an unforgettable museum experience for elementary students. Dive into a world of learning and discovery, all expenses paid, this February and March. Hurry, as these much-anticipated field trips are granted on a thrilling first-come, first-serve basis! Ensure your spot in this adventure by completing the field trip packet, and for any inquiries, our eager team at AASSD is just a phone call away at 520-225-3640. Don't miss this chance to make history come alive! [Click here](#) if you are interested in a field trip.

African American Read-In

African American Read-In February 12th through 29th

The National African American Read-In (AARI) is a groundbreaking effort to encourage communities to read together, centering African American books and authors. **During the month of February**, AASSD



staff and community volunteers will be available to read African American literature to **elementary** students. This year, schools are asked to bring students to their library or cafeteria so more than one class can hear the story from the single reader. Reading times are 9:00am to 10:30am. **Please complete the form no later than February 5th.** [Click here](#) to sign up for a reader.

Event Information

Black History Month Brain Bowl

The **Black History Month Brain Bowl** is an exuberant celebration of knowledge and heritage, where middle school teams come alive in a spirited competition, buzzing with the energy of unity and empowerment. These young scholars dive into the depths of Black history, tackling questions about pivotal moments, influential figures, and groundbreaking achievements with remarkable determination and enthusiasm. It's more than a mere contest; it's a vibrant homage to the past and a hopeful nod to the future, where the legacy of Black history is not only recalled but is actively passed on!

When?

Thursday, Feb 29, 2024, 09:00 AM

Where?

Santa Rita High School, South Pantano Road, Tucson, AZ, USA

Click Here to Check out our NEW Black History Month Page!

Our NEW Black History Month page is full of activities and resources for teachers, parents, and students.

Event Information

Black History Makers Breakfast

The **Black History Makers Breakfast**, is a celebration of excellence and achievement! Witness the induction of eleven outstanding students into the **AASSD Student Advisory Council**, handpicked through a rigorous selection process. This event not only honors the past but also shines a light on the future leaders of tomorrow.

When?

Thursday, Feb 8, 2024, 09:00 AM

Where?

14th Annual Youth Heritage Day: Feb 16th

We are excited to partner with TEEM to provide the 14th Annual African American Youth Heritage Day! Over 800 high school students from across the city are invited to Pima Community College for an unforgettable day packed with inspiring college and career workshops. Students will dive into a world of opportunities, network with peers, and gain invaluable insights into your future. The highlight? An electrifying keynote speaker who will ignite ambitions and fuel dreams!

TEEM TUCSON EDUCATIONAL EMPOWERMENT FOR MINORITIES
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL African American Youth Heritage Day
PARTNER Pima Community College
CAREER FOCUSED WORKSHOPS
COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH
COLLEGE & CAREER BOOTHS
WHEN: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024 TIME: 9:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. WHERE: PIMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE - WEST CAMPUS

Black History Month School Assembly

BLACK HISTORY

School Assembly

LEARN BLACK HISTORY AND THE HISTORY OF STEP

40 Min Interactive Assembly



Led by Mr. Paublo Pugh

Get Ready to STEP into History with Us!

ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND K-8 PRINCIPALS

We're thrilled provide a vibrant **Black History Month assembly!** It's a celebration of culture, history, and rhythm.

What's in store?

- A journey through time exploring pivotal moments in Black History
- The Art of Step diving into the rich history of step dance with live demonstrations
- Students will learn a quick step routine

Let's honor, learn, and celebrate together!

LIMITED NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES AVAILABLE

Contact Dr. Tonya Strozier @ tonya.strozier@tusd1.org to schedule an assembly.



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We are an empowered department, committed to teamwork, student success, and building positive community bonds. We build relationships between students, parents, schools and communities. We will ensure that African American students receive the highest quality education.