

Fontana Unified School District  
Celebrates

# Black History Month

February 1, 2023 – February 28, 2023

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of “Negro History Week,” the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month.

FUSD is providing students opportunities to explore the contributions, opinions, stories, and daily lives of people from diverse backgrounds throughout history by encouraging students, classrooms and/or sites to participate in projects or activities that highlight cultures reflective of our community.

We invite our students to participate in our Black History Month Celebration by submitting a piece of written, physical, digital, or recorded art showcasing their celebration of Black History Month. Submissions can be made by individuals, groups, or classes of students who attend any of our Fontana Unified School District Schools.

Submissions can be made to your school’s Community Aide in the school office from January 23 to February 2, 2023. Digital or video submissions can be sent to [NavaAG@fUSD.net](mailto:NavaAG@fUSD.net). All submissions must include the attached Entry Form with student’s name, Teacher Name, ID number, school, and grade.

Selected submissions will be displayed at one of the following locations:

- Steelworkers’ Auditorium, 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA, 92335
- John D. Piazza Building at the FUSD District Office
- Presented at the FUSD Board of Education Meeting on March 8, 2023

Elementary School Students select from the following submission options:

- Create a Collage of Historical Figures
- Recreate items found in the Harriet Tubman Museum
- Explore and learn about the Hip-Hop Movement
- Learn the History of Jazz & explain it through written or artistic expression
- Recreate an interview with Oprah Winfrey
- Share about Jackie Robinson & his baseball career
- Write a book report on books by black authors
- Learn about Ruby Bridges and share what you learned

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Middle/High School Students select from the following submission options:

- Learn the History of Jazz & explain it through written or artistic expression
- Write a book report on books by black authors
- Learn about and create visual representations to celebrate Rosa Parks and her role in the Civil Rights Movement
- Watch/Read Amanda Gorman's Inauguration Speech and create a writing or art piece that describes her message
- Research Black Female artists and re-create one of their pieces
- Explore famous black scientists in history and share what you learned
- Recreate Civil Rights Freedom movement posters
- Write an essay regarding current black political issues and your thoughts on them
- Create a presentation on African Americans and the Vote
- This year's 2023 theme is Black Resistance, create an artistic or written piece expressing how African Americans have resisted historic and ongoing oppression since the nation's earliest days.

## Entry Form

### Student Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

### Submission Type:

Written Submission (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Video Recording (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Artistic Representation (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Digital Representation (describe): \_\_\_\_\_

Other Representation (describe): \_\_\_\_\_