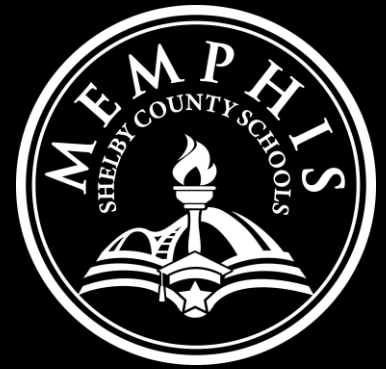


MSCS NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH 2023 RESOURCE GUIDE

The Social Studies Team of Memphis-Shelby County Schools is providing a list of resources designed to support teachers and students in participating in conversations with their students about Native American Heritage Month. We recognize that students need opportunities to discuss and investigate diversity, and we want to assist teachers in facilitating these opportunities.

This guide includes suggested teacher resources, student resources, discussion questions, and links to other relevant resources. Social Studies teachers are encouraged to use the skills embedded within the Tennessee Social Studies Practices to analyze primary and secondary sources referenced throughout the guide.



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RESOURCES

K-5 | ANISHINABE/ OJIBWE/ CHIPPEWA: CULTURE OF AN INDIAN NATION (LESSON PLAN)

This lesson focuses on the history and culture of the Anishinabe/Ojibwe people. Teachers can adapt the activities to a Native American tribe that has played an historical or contemporary role in our region or community.

K-5 | NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURES ACROSS THE U.S. (LESSON PLAN)

This lesson includes various activities sequenced to build students' knowledge on the history and culture of Native Americans. Images, a video, text-dependent questions, and an activity sheet are included in the lesson plan as well.

K-5 | INSPIRING NATIVE AMERICANS WHO ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE TODAY (IMAGES AND OVERVIEWS)

This resource shares images and gives brief overviews of Native Americans who are working to make a difference in the world today.

K-12 | 12 INFLUENTIAL NATIVE AMERICAN LEADERS (SHORT BIOGRAPHIES)

This site shares a brief overview of 12 influential Native American leaders who left a lasting mark with their leadership, bravery, and innovations.

K-12 | NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The National Native American Heritage Month site is a web portal that serves as a collaborative project of the Library of Congress, the National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and U.S. National Archives and Records Administration. The site offers various primary and secondary sources for students to analyze and learn from.

3-12 | NATIONAL ARCHIVES NEWS: NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY

The National Archives holds hundreds of thousands of U.S. Government records relating to Native Americans, from as early as 1774 through the mid-1990s. These include every treaty signed with Native Americans, records from the Indian Schools, Indian Census Rolls, and Bureau of Indian Affairs records. This

site provides teachers with various videos, texts, and images that help build students' knowledge of the history and culture of Native Americans.

4-6 | A LIFE IN BEADS: THE STORIES A PLAINS DRESS CAN TELL (LESSON PLAN)

In this lesson, students will be introduced to three generations of Assiniboine (pronounced Uh-SINNA-boyn)/Sioux (pronounced SUE) women who make traditional dresses. Through their stories and their art, students will learn about the importance of preserving Native culture and see how families share and pass down traditions.

6 - 12 | NATIVE AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS: STUDYING THE HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THE COMMUNITY (LESSON)

This resource consists of various primary sources and charges students to compare and contrast different sources in order to build students' knowledge of the history of Native Americans.

9-12 | THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST FISH WARS: WHAT KINDS OF ACTIONS CAN LEAD TO JUSTICE? (LESSON PLAN)

This online lesson provides perspectives from Native American community members and their supporters, images, news footage, an interactive timeline, and other sources about an important campaign to secure the treaty rights and sovereignty of Native Nations of the Pacific Northwest. The lesson also explores many actions Native Nations took to address injustices.