



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents
Instructional Leaders
Principals

FROM: Dr. David Mathis, Deputy Superintendent, Division of College and Career Readiness

DATE: February 2, 2021

RE: Resources to Support African American History

In an effort to assist South Carolina teachers in providing high quality resources to appropriately celebrate Black History Month, the South Carolina Department of Education will provide educators with a series of four, weekly memoranda throughout the month of February that are intended to highlight current and pre-released resources developed to inform students' knowledge and understanding of African American History. These lessons and resources are not reserved just for the month of February, but should be used throughout the year to successfully teach all students.

The chart below highlights the 2021 South Carolina African American History Calendar lessons and the pre-released 2012 – 2021 resources.

2021 South Carolina African American History Calendar Resources

The instructional lessons listed below were developed by teachers and inspired by the 2021 African American History Calendar. Each instructional lesson is aligned to the 2019 South Carolina Social Studies College-and Career-Ready Standards. The lessons are inquiry-based and may be adapted for students at any grade level, even in cases where grade levels are suggested.

[2021 African American History Calendar Lesson Plans](#)

2012-2020 South Carolina African American History Calendar Resources

The instructional lessons listed below were developed by teachers and inspired by the appropriate year African American History Calendar. Each instructional lesson is aligned to the 2011 South Carolina Social Studies Academic Standards or the 2019 South Carolina Social Studies College-and Career-Ready Standards. The lessons may be adapted for students at any grade level, even in cases where grade levels are suggested.

[2012 - 2020 African American History Calendar Lesson Plans](#)

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