

## **SAU 67 Cultural Diversity Reading Celebration**

### **Goal:**

Provide members of the Bow and Dunbarton school communities the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of, and empathy towards, cultures and people that may be different than their own.

### **Time Frame:**

March and April of 2021

### **Launch Event:**

- Video & Bookmarks
  - Provide every student and staff member with a bookmark at the start of the reading challenge
  - Create a kickoff video - Dr. C, the four building principals, Gov Sununu or Rep Kuster

### **Events/Activities Along the Way:**

- Taking a Walk in Someone Else's Shoes
  - Art/Craft activity in which people who participate can create / design / color shoes to identify a character they read about.
    - Can be modified for grade level
    - Can be shared either as a gallery walk or shared in a virtual format
- 3 minute book talk
  - Someone who has read one of the titles can film themselves describing the book and sharing what they took away from it. Video clips could be collected and then shared out.
- Bingo Card - read a book by a Black author, Woman, Gay, Asian-American, etc... The idea would be to encourage people to choose a wide variety of titles to read.

### **Culminating Event:**

Celebrate and share the learning that took place by reading different books and stories. Below are three ideas (dependent upon social distancing and health protocols):

- Desert "mixer" (indoors or outdoors) structured like a learning jigsaw activity.
- Guest speaker followed by coffee and soda to share what was heard and read (BHS auditorium and cafeteria).
  - Potential speakers could come from the Frederick Douglass Family Foundation, Rebecca Caroll - a local author, Becky Field - photographer
- Cultural Food Fair - People can bring in food items representing various cultures and food traditions to share and then in an informal way discuss the books that were read

### **Book List:**

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<b>The Stars Beneath our Feet</b>	David Moore
<i>YA award winning novel</i>	
<b>Esperanza Rising</b>	Pam Munoz Ryan
<i>Middle School (audio book available)</i>	
<b>All American Boys</b>	Jason Reynolds and Brandan Kiely
<i>Middle and High School (audio book available)</i>	
<b>The House on Mango Street</b>	Sandra Cisneros
<i>Middle and High School (Audio book available)</i>	
<b>The Rose that Grew from Concrete</b>	Tupac Shakur
<i>Middle and High School - Collection of Poems (Audio Book Available)</i>	
<b>March</b>	John Lewis
<i>Middle and High School - Graphic Novel (Audio Book Available)</i>	
<b>The 1619 Project: Website</b>	New York Times
<i>Middle and High School - Collection of Essays, Photographs, Primary Sources</i>	
<b>Stamped ... Remix</b>	Jason Reynolds & Ibram X. Kendi
<i>Middle and High School (Young adult version of above book) (Audio Book Available)</i>	
<b>The Hate U Give</b>	Angie Thomas
<i>Middle and High School (Audio Book and Movie)</i>	
<b>Born a Crime</b>	Trevor Noah
<i>High School - There is also a YA version appropriate for Middle School (Audio Book)</i>	
<b>Stamped from the Beginning...</b>	Ibram X. Kendi
<i>High School and Adult (Audio Book Available)</i>	
<b>So You Want to Talk about Race</b>	Ijeoma Oluo
<i>High School (Audio Book Available)</i>	
<b>AMightyGirl.Com</b>	Various Authors
<i>Website with links to books for all grade levels</i>	
<b>Interpreter of Maladies</b>	Jhumpi Lahiri
<i>Collection of short stories (high school)</i>	
<b>Something In Between</b>	Melissa de la Cruz
<i>YA novel with a Filipino protagonist</i>	
<b>We Dream of Space</b>	Erin Entrada Kelly
<i>Middle School book centered around the Challenger (1986)</i>	
<b>New Kid</b>	Jerry Craft
<i>Graphic novel</i>	