

EDUCATOR NEWSLETTER

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Wilmington High School History Department Faculty, The Cherry and the White Yearbook, 1966, Delaware Historical Society

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Welcome back to a new school year!

It's back to school and DHS is ringing in the new (school) year with a brand new Educator Newsletter! We'll be featuring teacher resources, field trips and events, and even book recommendations for you and your students. But this newsletter isn't going to be a calendar, it will be a resource, in and of itself. Our goal is to meet the wants and needs of our teachers. If you have any ideas or content requests for future newsletters, reach out and email snesheim@dehistory.org.

For this September-October issue, check out some of our resources and up-coming events related to teaching Black History, Constitution Day, and Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept 15 - Oct 15).

Featured Primary Sources

MONTHLY STANDINGS								SPECIAL REPORT AND CRITICISMS												
Attendance, Studies, Department	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
Excused Absences	0	0	0	0							ATTITUDE TOWARD SCHOOL WORK									
Unexcused Absences	0	0	0	0						0	1. Does not show right spirit									
Excused Tardiness	0	0	0	0							2. Lacks earnestness									
Unexcused Tardiness	0	0	0	0							3. Lacks perseverance									
Department	0	0	0	0							4. Indolent									
Reading	0	0	0	0							5. Wastes time									
Spelling	0	0	0	0							6. Careless; Inaccurate									
Geography	0	0	0	0							7. Indifferent									
Arithmetic	0	0	0	0							8. Depends on others									
Algebra	0	0	0	0							9. Not methodical									
Geometry	0	0	0	0							10. Lacks concentration									
Trigonometry	0	0	0	0							RECITATION									
Physiology	0	0	0	0							11. Comes poorly prepared									
Physical Geography	0	0	0	0							12. Inattentive									
Physics	0	0	0	0							13. Does not try									
Chemistry	0	0	0	0							14. Easy confused									
First Year Latin	0	0	0	0							15. Insufficient home study									
Caesar	0	0	0	0							16. Could do better									
Virgil	0	0	0	0							17. Work shows falling off									
Cicero	0	0	0	0							18. Irregular in attendance									
Grammar	0	0	0	0							CONDUCT									
English	0	0	0	0							19. Restless									
German	0	0	0	0							20. Not thoughtful									
History	0	0	0	0							21. Inclined to mischief									
Bookkeeping	0	0	0	0							22. Rude; discourteous									
Commercial Geography	0	0	0	0							23. Annoys others									
Civics	0	0	0	0							24. Talks too much									
Penmanship	0	0	0	0							25. Shows improvement in:									
Drawing	0	0	0	0							STUDIES									
Manual Training	0	0	0	0							Deficient in									
San Science	0	0	0	0							Gram.									
											Ben. C. Hall									

[Report card for C. Norman Wade, 1914-15, Wilmington Public Schools, Delaware Historical Society](#)

What can a report card tell us about what life was like for students in the early 20th century? How was school different in the past? What kind of classes were taught in the early 1900s? Do you take any classes similar to what Norman was taking?



[Buttonwood School New Castle \(Nov 6 1935\) - Sanborn 83.13.366](#)

[About the image](#)

[See, Think Wonder Worksheet](#)

[Source, Observe, Contextualize, Corroborate Worksheet](#)

More Sample Questions:

What do you notice about this picture?

What are the children wearing? Do all of the children look the same age?

Where are the children? What evidence in the picture makes you think that?

What is similar/different about this image and your classroom?



[Davis Collection 1st grade class of Miss Lidie Black, A.P. Beecher Photographer, Wilmington](#)

[About the image](#)

[See, Think Wonder Worksheet](#)

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More Sample Questions:

What do you first notice about this image?

What are the children wearing? Are their clothes similar to your clothes or different?

Was this picture taken in the past or the present? How can you tell?

What do you think society was like in Delaware at this time?

Constitution Day Resources

Constitution Day is September 17, 2022

★ Featured Field Trip

Citizen Activists: First Amendment Rights and Responsibilities (Virtual)

What constitutes civic engagement? Why does it matter? Is civic engagement worth the effort? The rights established by the 1st Amendment are imperative to the workings of American democracy and essential for citizenship in a diverse society. Along with these rights come responsibilities.

Examining the rights set forth in the 1st Amendment and utilizing primary sources related to the topics of immigration, voting rights, desegregation, and eminent domain, students will explore the way in which Delaware citizens have been active participants in the political process throughout Delaware's history.

Appropriate for middle and high school students. Contact snesheim@dehistory.org to book a field trip and for information regarding virtual and outreach programming options.

★ [Civics & Government Activities and Lessons](#)

Teaching Black History Resources

With the passing of HB 198, we want to remind our readers that DHS is a year-round collaborative partner for K-12 classroom and homeschooling communities who seek learning experiences that expose them to African American histories and contemporary discourse. We do this through primary sources, interpretation of our broader collections and historic spaces, programs from the Mitchell Center for African American Heritage, and a variety of other learning resources. While DHS' staff is constantly engaged in the development of new tools and techniques for facilitating learning, **we also invite teachers and learning communities to work with us directly to shape and deepen the impact of the resources we provide.**

Liberty in Our Grasp Launching in October

Liberty in Our Grasp is a partnership between [The Hard History Project](#) and the Delaware Historical Society to provide Black History lesson plans, utilizing primary sources found in our collections, designed by Delaware teachers. These lessons will be available on our [website](#) in late October.

More Resources:

- ★ Visit the [Mitchell Center for African American Heritage](#)
- ★ Research Black History at our [Research Library](#)
- ★ Browse our [Digital Collections](#)
- ★ Check out our [Primary Source Packets](#)



National History Day in Delaware

National History Day (NHD) is a year-long history education program that challenges students in grades 6 through 12 to engage in research, interpretation, and analysis of historical topics related to a theme. In the process, students hone their critical thinking and communication skills, and produce scholarly projects in the form of dramatic performance, imaginative exhibit, multimedia documentary, research paper, or website.

Check out the NHD in DE 8th Grade Curriculum in the Grade 8 U.S. History Model Lessons Schoology group! Interested in learning more? Contact rfay@dehistory.org.

Speaking of Delaware...

Have you seen our Speaking of Delaware video series?

Learn about the many voices and fascinating life stories that shaped American history. Let's learn about Miss Nagano - the Japanese Friendship Doll, Thomas Garrett's silver tray and teapot, the paintings of Ed Loper, and other untold wonders from our collections.

New videos released the first Thursday of every month!

Visit [our website](#) to view these videos and more.

Hispanic Heritage Month Book Recommendations

Pura Belpré Award Winning Books

The Pura Belpré Award is presented to a Latino/Latina writer and illustrator whose work best portrays, affirms, and celebrates the Latino cultural experience in an outstanding work of literature for children and youth.

¡Vamos! Let's Go Eat, by Raúl the Third
K-3rd grade

90 Miles to Havana, by Enrique Flores-Galbis
3rd - 4th grade

Efrén Divided, by Ernesto Cisneros
3rd - 7th grade

The Other Half of Happy, by Rebecca Balcárcel
5th - 9th grade

[Find more award winning books for Hispanic Heritage month!](#)

Upcoming Events

September

- ★ 29 - Diversity in Latin America: Circle of Peace
- ★ 30 - Old Town Hall Blood Drive

October

- ★ 13 - Pride and Prejudice Program @ The African American Museum in Philadelphia, in observance of Coming Out Day and LGBTQIA+ History Month
- ★ 14 - Public Education, Memory, Race, and History in Delaware Teacher Workshop. Email rfay@dehistory.org for more information.

November

- ★ 19 - Native American Heritage Month Family & Community Day - More information is coming soon!

December

- ★ 1 - Papers Worthy of Patronage: Black Feminist Research Methods and the Digital Humanities with Dr. Kristin Moriah

Check out our [Calendar](#) for more information and updates on events and programs.



Schoolhouse, Hare's Corner, early 20th century, Delaware Historical Society