

No Place for Hate News for March 2018

Save the Date for the End-of-the-Year No Place for Hate Designation Celebration!



Please save the date for ADL's second annual end-of-the-year No Place for Hate Designation Celebration on May 23, 2018 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. This exciting event will take the place of your individual school designation ceremony and will give students and educators from No Place for Hate schools around the tri-state area the chance to meet and learn best practices from each other, and celebrate the achievement of becoming a No Place for Hate school with hundreds of other like-minded educators and students.

Look for more information, including the registration form, in the next few weeks. See you at the Convention Center!

Register Now for ADL's 2018 Walk Against Hate



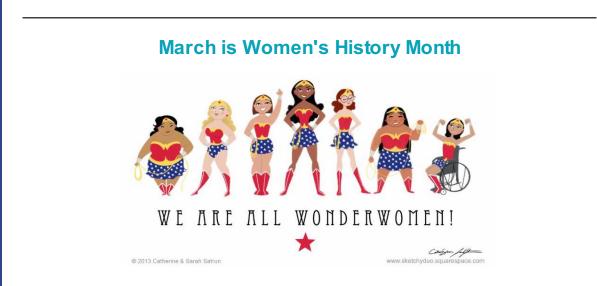
Join us at The Navy Yard on Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. for ADL's 8th annual Walk Against Hate.

The 2018 Walk promises to be a fun and inspirational day for all. Mingle with more than 30 local nonprofit organizations at our Diversity Expo, enjoy fantastic performances from local and diverse entertainers and show your support for ending hate with a 2 mile walk through The Navy Yard.

The Walk is a great way to get students, teachers and parents to support diversity and make strides against bigotry and bias. Contact us about ways to make attendance at the Walk one of your No Place for Hate projects for the year.

Sign up today at http://www.walkagainsthate.org

Download the 2018 Walk Poster



Women's History Month is a time to honor ordinary and extraordinary women, explore women's achievements and struggles throughout history and acknowledge women's contributions to our culture. It's also an excellent time to talk with students about gender stereotypes and bias, hail important women in history, discover more about women's issues and their fight for equity, read literature that celebrates women and girls, analyze sexism and explore its causes and solutions.

ADL has several PreK-12 curriculum and other educational resources to bring Women's History Month to your classrooms and schools, including:

<u>7 Ideas for Teaching Women's History Month</u> This K-12 resource helps educators engage students in thinking broadly and critically about the experience of women and gender in all of its complexity.

Moving Beyond Gender Barriers in Our Lives This collection of revised lesson plans includes one for each grade level. The K-2 lesson helps students to explore the gender stereotypical beliefs that place limits on the types of activities and interests children pursue. The lessons for older students help them explore assumptions about job roles and gender, increase awareness about gender segregation and pay inequality in the workplace and encourage students to move beyond narrow gender role expectations as they pursue interests and envision their own professional futures.

<u>Mo'Ne Davis and Gender Stereotypes</u> This elementary lesson provides an opportunity for students to learn more about Mo'Ne Davis and, at the same time, explore gender stereotypes about sports and in other areas of their lives.

Books about Gender and Sexism

Check out all of ADL's PreK-12 educational resources on Women's History Month

Perfect Your Project

Current Events Classroom: Who Are the Rohingya People in Myanmar?

The Rohingya people are an ethnic minority group (the vast majority of whom are Muslim) in the country of Myanmar, a predominantly Buddhist country. The Rohingya numbered about one million people at the beginning of 2017 and represent the largest percentage of Muslim people in Myanmar;



the majority live in the Rakhine state. Since August 2017, about 655,000 Rohingya people have fled into neighboring Bangladesh to escape violent and deadly persecution in Myanmar. This includes discriminatory policies and recent violent attacks by the Myanmar military--reported rape, murder and arson. The United Nations' top human rights official called what is happening to the Rohingya a "textbook example of ethnic cleansing."

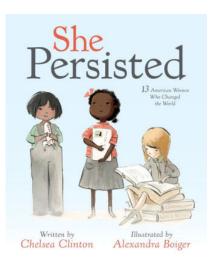
This high school lesson provides an opportunity for students to learn about and develop empathy for the plight of the Rohingya people and to explore what can be done about the current situation.

Click here for Who Are the Rohingya People in Myanmar?

New Blog: Social Media Armor: Are You Really What You Post

In this essay, Rosalind Wiseman shares an activity she recently developed and taught to help students reflect on how they portray themselves on social media--to look at what they show to the outside world vs. what they're privately feeling and thinking. Through the activity, students unpack why there may be a difference between the two and how that difference can show up in their interactions with others.

Click here for Social Media Armor: Are You Really What You Post



March's Book of the Month

March's Book of the Month is <u>She Persisted: 13 American</u> <u>Women Who Changed the World</u>, a book for ages 4-8. Throughout U.S. history, there have always been women who have spoken out for what's right, even when they have to fight to be heard. This book commemorates 13 American women who helped shape our country through their tenacity, sometimes through speaking out, sometimes by staying seated, sometimes by captivating an audience. They all certainly persisted. It features: Harriet Tubman, Helen Keller, Clara Lemlich, Nellie Bly, Virginia Apgar, Maria Tallchief, Claudette Colvin, Ruby Bridges, Margaret Chase Smith, Sally Ride, Florence Griffith Joyner, Oprah Winfrey and Sonia Sotomayor.

Click here for the Educator Discussion Guide

Click here for the Parent/Family Discussion Guide

Resources and Reminders

Resources for Discussing Gun Violence in Schools

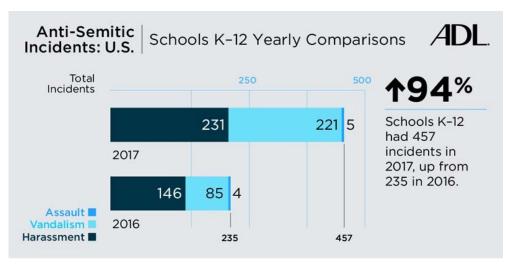
Last month's horrific shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, FL still remains very much in the news, and people across the country, led by the incredible voices and actions of our youth, are calling for action. As we have seen, the difficult topic of the school shooting has come up in schools, and we thought it helpful to provide you with the resources below.

Table Talk: How to Talk to Young People about Gun Violence and Mass Shootings

Empowering Young People in the Aftermath of Hate

Following the Latest School Shooting, Young People Take the Lead (Education Week)

ADL's 2017 Audit of Anti-Semitic Incidents



This week, the Anti-Defamation League released the results of its 2017 <u>Audit of Anti-Semitic</u> <u>Incidents</u>. The national report recorded a 57% increase in anti-Semitic incidents across the country, including acts of harassment, vandalism and assault.

Regional reports highlight anti-Semitism in <u>Pennsylvania</u>, <u>New Jersey</u> and <u>Delaware</u>, and every state in our region saw dramatic increases in anti-Semitic incidents. New Jersey witnessed the third-highest number of incidents in the country, Pennsylvania saw the sixth-most, and Delaware hosted more incidents than 22 other states. In PA and NJ, incidents in K-12 schools nearly doubled, mirroring the national trend.

ADL has been monitoring anti-Semitic incidents since 1979, and we have used the data to raise awareness of the issue and develop programs to combat anti-Semitism and all forms of hate. ADL works to reduce bigotry through advocating for civil rights in all three branches of government; training law enforcement on extremism, terrorism, hate crime and implicit bias; educating youth and community members on challenging bias and bullying; and much more.

The <u>2017 Audit</u> illustrates the need for all of us to work together to combat rising prejudice. Click here for all of <u>ADL's curricular resources covering anti-Semitism</u>.

March 2018 Calendar of Observances

Full Month NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH Honors women as significant agents of historical change.

March 1 PURIM * Jewish The "Feast of Lots" marks the salvation of the Jews of ancient Persia from extermination.

> March 2-March 20 NINETEEN-DAY FAST * Bahá'í

Baha'is between 15 and 70 years of age do not eat or drink from sunrise to sunset and set aside time for prayer and meditation.

March 2

HOLLA MOHALLA * Sikh

An annual event which is a martial arts parade historically coinciding with Holi, the Hindu festival of colors. Celebrations related to Holla Mohalla may be held in various locations over several weekends preceding the actual date of the holiday.

March 2

HOLI * Hindu A spring festival in India and Nepal dedicated to the god of pleasure, also known as the festival of colors or the festival of sharing love.

March 8

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY Celebration of the economic, political and social achievements of women worldwide.

March 17

ST. PATRICK'S DAY * Christian

Feast day of the patron saint of Ireland. In the U.S., a secular version is celebrated by people of all faiths through appreciation of all things Irish.

March 20

VERNAL EQUINOX The date when night and day are nearly the same length. It marks the first day of the season of spring.

March 20

NOWRÚZ * Zoroastrian

A traditional ancient Iranian festival celebrating the first day of Spring and the Iranian New Year. Also celebrated as New Year's Day in Baha'i tradition (Naw-Ruz).

March 25

PALM SUNDAY * Christian

Observed the Sunday before Easter/Pascha to commemorate the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

March 25

RAMA NAVAMI * Hindu Celebrates the birthday of Rama, king of ancient India, hero of the epic Ramayana, and seventh incarnation of Vishnu.

March 28

KHORDAD SAL * Zoroastrian

The Zoroastrian celebration of the birth of Zoroaster, the founder of the Zoroastrianism religion. The holiday is specifically celebrated in India and Iran, immediately following the Persian new year, Nowrúz.

March 29

HOLY THURSDAY * Christian Also known as Maundy Thursday, it is celebrated on the Thursday before Easter commemorating the Last Supper, at which Jesus and the Apostles were together for the last time before the Crucifixion.

March 30

GOOD FRIDAY * Christian Known as Holy Friday in Eastern Christianity, it commemorates the Crucifixion of Jesus on the Friday before Easter/Pascha.

March 31 - April 7

PASSOVER/PESACH * Jewish The eight-day "Feast of Unleavened Bread" celebrates Israel's deliverance from Egyptian bondage.

March 31

MAGHA PUJA * Buddhist Also known as Sangha Day, it commemorates the spontaneous assembly of 1,250 disciples, completely enlightened monks, in the historical Buddha's presence. March 31 CESAR CHAVEZ DAY Honors Mexican American farm worker, labor leader and activist Cesar Chavez (1927-1993) who was a nationally respected voice for social justice.

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