

Curriculum News

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Women's History Month



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So, why is Women's History Month in March? Simple, it is because International Women's Day is March 8th which is rooted in 1908 in New York City when thousands of women united and marched for better labor laws, conditions, and the right to vote.

The actual celebration of Women's History Month grew out of a weeklong celebration of women's contributions to culture, history, and society organized by the school district of Sonoma, California, in 1978. Presentations were given at dozens of schools, hundreds of students participated in a "Real Woman" essay contest, and a parade was held in downtown Santa Rosa. In 1980, a consortium of women's groups and historians—led by the National Women's History Project (now the National Women's History Alliance)—successfully lobbied for national recognition.

In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women's History Week. The U.S. Congress followed suit the next year, passing a resolution establishing a national celebration. Six years later, the National Women's History Project successfully petitioned Congress to expand the event to the entire month of March.

Women's History Month is an opportunity to reflect on and recognize the strength and many accomplishments of brilliant women throughout history that are long overdue. From Abigail Adams to Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth to Rosa Parks, the timeline of women's history milestones stretches back to the founding of the United States. The National Women's History Alliance selects and publishes the yearly theme. The 2022 Women's History theme, "Providing Healing, Promoting Hope," is both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and also a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history.

As an example, we can look at past heroes in the fields of science, medicine, and caregiving like Ethel Percy Andrus, Florence Nightingale, and Gertrude Elion, an American biochemist who won a Nobel prize in 1988 for contributing to the development of several drugs used to treat leukemia and AIDS. Or we can acknowledge more recent leaders like Dr. Kizzmekia S. Corbett whose great accomplishments include being one of the lead scientists behind the Moderna Covid-19 vaccine. Not to mention, the many powerful women behind the scenes. The 2022 theme proudly honors those who, in both public and private life, provide healing and promote hope for the betterment of all.



Important Dates:

March 1st

Last HFA In-Person Open House @ 4-6PM
Self Injury Awareness Day

March 11th

Senior Pictures (all day)

Last Day to Switch Tracks from All Virtual to In-Person at HFA for Tri 3 Royal Ball @ 7PM

March 13th

Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 14th

Senior Defenses

Track Tryouts @ 4PM

Baseball & Softball Tryouts @ 4PM

Girls Soccer Tryouts @ 5PM

March 15th

Class of 2026 HFA Application Deadline

Baseball & Softball Tryouts @ 4PM

March 16th

Girls Soccer Tryouts @ 5PM
HFA Virtual Board Meeting @ 9:00 AM
Parent Org./Boosters Hybrid Meeting @ 5PM

March 17th

Finals (Schedule E- Half Day)

St. Patrick's Day

March 18th

Finals (Schedule E - Half Day)

Prom Attire Giveaway @ 12PM

March 20th

First Day of Spring

March 21st

Trimester 3 Begins

March 24th
HFA TALENT SHOW!

March 26th

Girls Soccer Invitational @ HFA 12-6PM

March 28th - April 1st

Spring Break

March 31st

Student Vs. Alumni @ 2PM Pistons Vs. 76ers @ 7PM





LOVETT HALL | MARCH 11TH, 2022 | 7-10 PM

The Royal Ball is similar to a homecoming dance (formal attire).

The 2022 Royal Ball is the first HFA dance in 2 years.

Tickets are sold through Student Council during AC on Tuesday & Thursday for \$7.

No students outside of HFA are permitted. Virtual Students can pick up their tickets at the museum front desk.



February Classroom Happenings!



Students from Quenon's Edible Education Class experience cooking for College during the breakfast theme week.

Students are only allowed to cook using tools they will have in their dorm room and must track the cost, calories, and recipe of each meal they create. At the end of the trimester, they will all get a book of recipes to take with them.

In Life Skills, our students become 'parents' for a week. They will receive an egg as their baby and will be carrying it around campus and bringing it to class with them. If a baby is left unattended, HFA Staff are free to take them, which teaches the students to keep an eye on their 'child'.



Students in Mr. Burton's Ford Law class negotiated the case of "Dads Mustang" with Ford Lawyers.

Students where given sides to negotiate and did a great job working with the lawyers.



Robotics competition season is nearly upon us! Check out that great looking robot. The Gator-Bots will be competing March 24-26 in Belleville, and March 31-April 2 in Troy.



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