WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH
Resources for March 2022

This resources guide has been compiled by the Office of K-12 Outreach at Michigan State University.
Michigan State University’s Office of K-12 Outreach, in the College of Education collected a series of resources that exemplify “Women Providing Healing and Promoting Hope.” Teachers, parents, and students can use these resources not only during Women’s History Month but throughout the year.

The K-12 Outreach Women’s History Month Resource Document includes content compiled from public websites and YouTube channels. It is intended to be used as a tool to share a brief snapshot of the rich history of extraordinary women and girls. This resource list is not meant to be exhaustive but a place for individuals to begin exploring Women’s History Month. We encourage each of you to go beyond these entries to seek even more evidence of the impact women have made on our world.

A broad array of women’s historical and nontraditional careers and accomplishments from a variety of backgrounds and periods of time were included. The document provides endless possibilities for women and girls to find their own pathway that will enrich their lives and bring healing and hope that impacts society.

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Please closely examine the content for your grade/class level appropriateness.
2022 Women’s History Month

Key Facts

International Women’s Day: March 8, 2022
Color: Purple
Flower: Mimosa

The following timeline shows the progression from International Women’s History Day to the culmination of a month-long celebration:

❖ International Women’s Day began Feb 28, 1909.
❖ On March 19, 1911, International Women’s Day was officially marked for the first time.
❖ The United Nations began celebrating International Women’s Day in 1975, which was declared “International Women’s Year”. In 1977, the United Nations invited members to proclaim March 8th as the UN Day for Women’s Rights and World Peace.
❖ National Women’s History Month occurs March 1-31, 2022.
❖ The founders of the American non-profit organization National Women’s History Paula Hammett, and Bette Morgan.
❖ This organization selects the theme each year for National Women’s History Month
❖ The month-long commemoration started with Women’s History Day in 1978, organized by the school district of Sonoma, California.
❖ In 1980, the National Women’s History Alliance campaigned for the holiday to be observed as a national week, and this was backed by President Jimmy Carter, who issued the first proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as National Women’s History Week. The following year, Congress forwarded a resolution establishing a national observance. Six years later, the expansion of the event to the whole month of March was successfully petitioned by the National Women’s History Project.
Women In History

❖ About – InternationalWomensDay.org
The History of International Women’s Day, which occurs on March 8th and is celebrated worldwide.

❖ history.com | Women’s History Month
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.

❖ hewright.com | Women’s History Month at THE WRIGHT
Women’s History Month began as National Women’s History Week in 1980. This observance is dedicated to women from all walks of life whose accomplishment.

❖ cbc.ca | Girls Making History
Whether it’s through activism (that means to make positive change), art or athletics, these young Canadians are making history and showing the world their girl power!

❖ livescience.com | 10 Influential Women in History
We explore the lives of 10 influential women who have shaped the world we live in today.

❖ richlandlibrary.com | iRead Women Making History
iRead features the best ebooks, eaudiobooks and print books for children and teens curated by the Children's Room and Teen Center staff.

❖ britannica.com | Britannica’s 100 Women
Last year Britannica honored 100 trailblazing women who left their indelible marks on the world, whether conducting groundbreaking research or guiding others to freedom as a “conductor” on the Underground Railroad. This year we focus on the women who made their name at the ballot box. We highlight suffragists who helped secure women’s right to vote and the politicians who made history with landmark elections.

❖ pbs.org | Unlearning History: The Women’s Suffrage Movement
History of the suffrage movement.

❖ history.com | The Fight for Women’s Suffrage
Fighting for the right to vote.
If there’s one thing that is consistent, day after day, it’s the impact that our 293 Inductees continue to make in this world. Just a few of the great stories that have crossed my desk in recent weeks.

- **8 Inspiring women who are Making History Right Now**
- **worldstrides.com | 50 Women Who Are Making History**
- **livescience.com | 10 influential women in history**
  We explore the lives of 10 influential women who have shaped the world we live in today.
- **bigthink.com | 15 of the most powerful women in history**
- **history.com | 11 Bold Women Who Changed the World**
- **Reader’s Digest | Young Women Who Are About to Make History**
- **HuffPost Communities | 16 Girls Who Changed the World**
- **CBS Kids | Young Canadians Making History**
- **Reader’s Digest | 6 Most Inspiring Women Alive Today**
- **Women’s History Month 2022 Detroit: 4 Ways for Everyone to Kick Off this Spring**
- **Women’s History Month Resource Toolkit 2022**

**Native American Women in History**

- **biography.com | 5 Powerful and Influential Native American Women**
- **powwows.com | 20 Native American Women You Should Know**
- **owlcation.com | Greatest Indian Women from History**
Asian-American and Pacific Islander Women in History
- ywcampls.org | Asian American and Pacific Islander Women to Know
- 14 Influential Asian Women Who Are Shaping a More Inclusive Global Society
- Inspiring Famous Asian Women We Need to Celebrate Today and Every Day

Egyptian Women
- Theculturetrip.com | The Most Illustrious Women in Egyptian History
- Egyptianstreets.com | 23 Egyptian Women Who Made History
- theafricareport.com | Egypt: 100 Years of Emancipation, Women Still Fighting for Change

African Women
- Africa.com | Great Ancient African Queens
- History.com | Female Warriors Who Led African Empires and Armies

Canadian Women
- Women in Canadian History: A Timeline
- True North: 15 Amazing Canadian Women
- The Incredible Black Canadian Women You Should Know

Russian Women
- The Status of Women in Russian Society
- Women in the Russian Military
- 5 Facts About Women’s Rights in Russia
- If you thought there were no black Russians, you were wrong
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**German Women**
- [12 German Women Who Influenced the World](#)
- [German Power Women that Have Changed the World](#)
- [Germany’s Female Inventors](#)

**French Women**
- [15 Famous French Women who changed history](#)
- [Women in the French Revolution](#)

**Italian Women**
- [wantedinrome.com | Most Influential Italian Women in the XX Century](#)
- [Artviva.com | 10 Incredible Italian Women who made History](#)
- [The Ten Greatest Italian Female Scientists of All Time](#)

**Arab Women**
- [14 of the Most Inspiring Women in the Middle East That You Need to Know About](#)
- [Chathamhouse.org | Women and Power in the Middle East](#)
- [wikipedia.org | Women in Islam](#)
  The experiences of Muslim women (Arabic: مسلمات Muslimāt, singular مسلمة Muslimah) vary widely between and within different societies. At the same time, their adherence to Islam is a shared factor that affects their lives to a varying degree and gives them a common identity that may serve to bridge the wide cultural, social, and economic differences between them.

**Women in the Bible**
- [wikipedia.org | List of Women in the Bible](#)
- [coraevans.com | Female Catholic Saints](#)
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Jewish Women
❖ mayersonjcc.org | History of Influential Jewish Women
❖ A Very Incomplete List of Notable Black Jews
❖ Timeline of Women Rabbis

Latinx, Hispanic, and Chicano Women
❖ Hispanic Women in History and Activism
❖ 10 Chicana Activist Who Fought for Equal Rights in the Chicano Movement
❖ 10 Inspiring Latinas Who’ve Made History
❖ Zinn Education Project | 500 Years of Chicana Women’s History

Women in Broadcast Journalism
❖ ranker.com | Famous Female TV Journalists
❖ thefamouspeople.com | Famous Female Journalists
❖ lithub.com | Power of Women’s Voices
❖ belowthefold.news | 100 Female Journalist

Women in STEM
❖ wikipedia.org Timeline for Women in Science
❖ 500womenscientists.org | List of 500 Influential women in science
❖ foodinsight.org | Women’s early history in food science
❖ thenewatlantis.com | The women who helped create modern computers
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❖ maryville.edu | Women of Color in STEM
It would be impossible to properly acknowledge all of the women who have contributed to STEM throughout history since their achievements have often been ignored or suppressed. However, even though women and women of color have often fallen out of the historical record, resources still exist that reveal how pivotal many women have been in developing technology, medical knowledge, scientific instruments, and engineering skills. As long as science, technology, engineering, and math have existed, women have contributed to innovations and discoveries.

❖ wikipedia.org | List of African-American Women in STEM Fields
The following is a list of notable African-American women who have made contributions to the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. These African Women have added pressure compared to their counterparts and often feel that they have to prove their worth and pave the way for future people like them to also get work. As well, these women struggled with the opportunity to advance in status as because of discrimination, many women could not go on work trips since most of the hotels they would have stayed at were white only.

❖ awis.org | Celebrating Pioneering Black Women in Science
Part of AWIS’ advocacy is ensuring that women in science are recognized for their contributions. In honor of Black History Month, we want to acknowledge these pioneering scientists whose curiosity, determination, and brilliance helped light the way for other women and girls to follow in their footsteps. Be sure to check back later, we will add to this list throughout the month.

❖ workflowmax.com | 7 Famous Female Engineers in History
❖ globalcitizen.org | 17 Famous Female Scientists Who Helped Change the World
❖ letsgetsciencey.com | 10 Famous Female Engineers and Inventors that Changed the World
When we think about famous female engineers, we think about many women in science who changed the world as we know it. They were part of the revolution that also altered society’s perception of what women could or could not do. These ladies made a huge difference for every one of us, so let’s learn more about them and their achievements!

❖ thefamouspeople.com | Women Engineers
Throughout history, there have been many women engineers who have made significant contribution to the field. The list includes many familiar and great female engineers such as Lillian Moller Gilbreth, Emily Warren Roebling, Edith Clarke, Nora Stanton Blatch Barney, Kate Gleason. The women engineers featured in this list are from United States, United Kingdom, Canada & Australia and many more countries.
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Famous Women Doctors
- ranker.com | Famous Female Doctors
- letsgetsciencey.com | 9 Famous Female Doctors That Changed the World
- uab.edu | History of Women in Medicine
- modernhealthcare.com | 25 Women Leaders in Health Care

Women in Architectural Design
- dailyartmagazine.com | Great Female Architects
- artincontext.org | Famous Female Architects
- madeamearchitect.org | African-American Women Architects

Women in the Judiciary
- investopedia.com | Gender Representation in the Judiciary
- ncsc.org | Judicial Reform and Women’s Rights
- ranker.com | Famous Female Judges

Women Veterinarians
- easy-anatomy.com | Women Veterinarians
- todaysveterinarypractice.com | History of Female Veterinarians

Outstanding Women in Art
- artdex.com | Female Artists Who Changed The World
- artst.org | 10 Most Famous Black Female Artists
- ruthmullington.co.uk | 10 incredible Black women artists you need to know
- singulart.com | 5 Women Who Changed the History of Art
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❖ joyofmuseums.com | Famous Women in the Arts

❖ arteza.com | 20 Female Artists You Should Know

❖ Detroit Metro Times | WHERE WE AT: A Black and Women’s History Month Exhibition Celebrating the Women of the Black Arts Movement

Women Explorers of the World
❖ historyhit.com | Female Explorers of the World

❖ thoughtco.com | The Fascinating History of Female Pirates
From Mary Read and Anne Bonny to Rachel Wall, discover the lives and legends of these six fascinating female pirates.

❖ Early Female Explorers Who Changed the World and Empowered Women

❖ Travel Through time with 21 Women Explorers Who Changed the World

Women in Politics, Education, Empowerment & Leadership
❖ britannica.com | Making U.S. Female Politicians
The story of women in U.S. politics is as old as the country. Long before earning the right to vote, American women were running for office and shaping the political discourse. While many chapters remain to be written, we celebrate the women whose victories made the history books.

❖ bigthink.com | 15 of the most powerful women in history

❖ kindful.com | 11 Nonprofits that are Advocating for Female Empowerment
On this page, you’ll find their missions, the areas of impact they serve, and ways to support their important work. Plus we’ll include resources and data about women in philanthropy that we compiled with nonprofits

❖ thecut.com | 25 Famous Female Leaders on Power

❖ history.com | 11 Bold Women Who Changed the World

❖ femtechleaders.com | The Top 10 Famous Female Leaders in History

❖ wikipedia.com | Timeline of Women in Religion
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**Sororities**

❖ learningtogive.org | African-American Sororities
Birthed at a time in history when the traditional roles of women were being challenged, the founders of the first Black sororities had to overcome the stereotypical views of sexism and racism as well. Now over a quarter of a million women belong to Black sororities with numbers increasing annually. These women make a lifetime commitment to continue the legacy of building social capital and uphold the strong ideals of education, integrity, public service and activism.

❖ greekrank.com | A List of Sororities

❖ The True History Behind Neighbors 2: How American Sororities Got Their Start

**Women in the Armed Services**

❖ thehistorypress.co.uk | The role of women in the First World War
The majority of writing about women during the First World War tends to focus on their roles as nurses or workers on the Home Front, but few look at the militarization of women that took place during those four and a half years.

❖ nytimes.com | The Black Female Battalion That Stood Up to a White Male Army

❖ smithsonianmag.com | Seventy-Five Years Ago, the Military’s Only All-Black Female Band Battled the War Department and Won

❖ unwritten-record.blogs.archives.gov | African American Women in the Military During WWII

❖ womenmarines.org | Women Marines: History
Since 1918, women have answered the call to serve proudly in the United States Marines and the role of women in the Marines has evolved and expanded. All Women Marines can look forward to the future proudly, while never forgetting the women who made this future possible.

❖ blackenterprise.com | African American Women who made Military History

**Women in Athletics**

❖ glamour.com | Female Athletes

❖ The 100+ Best Female Athletes of All Time, ranked by Fans
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Women in the Culinary Arts
❖ trulyexperiences.com | Famous Female Chefs
❖ sixtyandme.com | Female Chefs Who Changed the World
❖ twistedfood.co.uk | Female Chefs around the world
❖ opentable.com | Inspiring female chefs for International Women’s Day
❖ besttoppers.com | Best Top Famous Female Chefs
❖ southernliving.com | Best Southern Food Influencers

Women in Construction
❖ womeninconstructionsummit.com | Influential Women in Construction
❖ constructionbusinessowner.com | 20 Females in Construction you need to know
❖ magnumcontracting.net | Women in Construction History

Women as Diplomats
❖ ge.usembassy.gov | Women Ambassadors
❖ asean.usmission.gov | Discussion with Top Women Diplomats
❖ diplomacy.state.gov | Exhibits on female diplomacy

Women in Agriculture and Ranching
❖ croptrust.org | 16 scientist securing food for the future
❖ agdaily.com | Great women in agriculture
❖ un.org | Women making strides in the world of agriculture
❖ womeninagscience.org | Women who revolutionized agriculture
❖ westernlandowners.org | Women in Ranching
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❖ nass.usda.gov | Census on Female Producers

Women in Film Productions
❖ imdb.com | Top Female Film Producers
❖ The Best 67 Female Film Directors Working Today
❖ Wikipedia | Women Film Producers
  View film producers broken down into sub-categories by a variety of different cultures.

Women in Business
❖ investopedia.com | Successful Women Entrepreneurs
❖ grasshopper.com | Resources for Women in Business
❖ nypl.org | Reading List Supporting Women

Women in Education
❖ crainsdetroit.com | Crain’s 2019 Notable Women in Education Leadership
  The women featured in this Notable Women in Education Leadership report were selected by a team of Crain’s Detroit Business editors based on their career accomplishments, track record of success in the field, contributions to their community and mentorship of others, as outlined in a detailed nomination form. Notable Women in Education Leadership was managed and written by Leslie D. Green. For questions about this special report, contact Amy Elliott Bragg at (313) 446-1646 or abragg@crain.com or Michael Lee at (313) 446-1630 or malee@crain.com. You can read more in our Notable Women series or nominate a Notable Woman for an upcoming section here.

❖ internationalwomensday.amazonaws.com | 50 Ways to Fight Bias
❖ mindsmatterco.org | Top Ten Most Influential Women in American Education
  These women helped bring education to historically disenfranchised groups by attaining powerful positions and pushing forward, often against resistance. We are inspired seeing how far these women have come and how much many of them continue to offer.
Classroom Resources

❖ internationalwomensday.com | School Resources
International Women's Day provides an important opportunity for teachers, parents and caregivers to educate and inspire children and students about gender equality. From celebrating women's achievements to challenging gender stereotypes and bias, educating future generations about gender equality is one of the most grassroots differences anyone can make. There are many useful classroom resources available to support International Women's Day activity. Whether in the classroom or over the dinner table, thank you for championing International Women's Day and making a positive difference.

❖ theembraceprogram.com | Engaging, Managing, and Bonding through Race
The EMBRace Program Focuses on Healing Black Families, and Familial Bonding.

❖ pbslearningmedia.org | Women’s History Month
WKAR/PBS collection celebrates Women’s History Month by focusing on women and girls around the world. The films tell powerful, personal stories; and the activities encourage students to learn and understand international struggles and take an active role in addressing local concerns.

❖ womenshistory.com | National Women’s History Museum | Events

❖ twinkl.com | Classroom Resources
National Women’s History Museum Features a collection of Resources by Grade Level.

❖ nationaltoday.com | History of National Women’s History Month
During the month of March, we give a little extra attention to all of the amazing accomplishments of strong, determined women. Since 1987, the United States has formally recognized March as National Women’s History Month. Every woman has a story to tell and gifts to share with the world. So, get ready, because this month is about honoring magnificent ladies, and we are ready to celebrate it to the fullest.

❖ Inspiring documentaries and books about women of color for Women’s History Month

❖ aka1908.com | TWENTY PEARLS Documentary Film about First Black-Greek Letter Organization Now Available Nationwide

❖ nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org | National Women’s History Alliance 2022 Magazine

❖ mindsmatterco.org | Top Ten Most Influential Women in American Education
These women helped bring education to historically disenfranchised groups by attaining powerful positions and pushing forward, often against resistance. We are inspired seeing how far these women have come and how much many of them continue to offer.

❖ Womenshistorymonth.gov | Resources for Teachers
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YouTube Resources

❖ Teacher Encouragement

❖ How To Let Your Light Shine Bright | Lisa Nichols | Inspiring Women of Goalcast

❖ The Teachers we Remember | Julie Hasson | TEDxEustis

❖ Top 10 Badass Rebel Women in History

❖ Power of Woman - Inspirational Video HD

❖ I am Woman Vocal Tribute to Helen Reddy 2020 ARIA Awards

❖ Here's To Strong Women [Inspirational Video]

❖ Michelle Obama - "The Strength of a Woman" Motivational Speech

❖ Motivational & Inspirational Video for Women (It's Your Time To Rise)

❖ Priyanka Chopra - Full Power of Women Speech

❖ Dr. Rhiana Elyse Anderson, Vaccinating Children against the Virus of Racism TED Talk
**Recommended Readings**


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Collective Capacity Building and Leadership Development

The Office of K-12 Outreach, under the leadership of Director Bryan Beverly, Ph.D., has unmatched experience in developing and implementing customized support for schools and districts in Michigan that seek to turnaround their schools and rapidly improve student achievement. Our unique field-oriented service organization within the university brings a 20-year history of collaboration with schools and districts across the state. K-12 Outreach has experience working with school districts on topics ranging from staff professional development to central office transformations, to equity, and it is available in this new technology-driven environment to help districts plan for school re-opening.

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