



FIRST GENERATION FAMILY FORUM

HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATIONS

Heritage month celebrations are important in providing the space to teach and learn about cultural history, and also to examine the way in which these cultures are viewed within American discourse. It is important to celebrate cultural heritages and to examine how these groups are continually oppressed and marginalized in society.

February: Black History Month
March: Women's History Month
April: Arab History Month
May: Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month
June: LGBTQ+ Pride Month
September 15-October 15: Hispanic Heritage Month
November: Native American and Indigenous Heritage Month

Teaching Children About Cultural Awareness

- Buy a book by an author or illustrator of a different culture.
- Look for books that are inclusive and reflect the diversity of our communities.
- Books help illustrate that diversity is a natural part of everyday life.
- When children ask questions about race, don't sweep differences under the rug.
- Give children simple, concrete explanations when they have questions.
- Try to find books that will help prepare children for the complex world.
- Make sure your selections include contemporary stories. Celebrate culture and experiences, in addition to history.
- Seek the suggestions and guidance from knowledgeable, cultural experts, booksellers, and librarians.



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First Gen Student Spotlight



**April P.
Psychology Major**

"I am the oldest among my eight siblings, and I truly feel I'm setting an example for my family. Be persistent and don't give up! Break the generational chain and be different and better for yourself and your family."

Employment

Enrollment

Enlistment

Exploration

WHAT IS YOUR 'E'?

BENEFITS OF
ENROLLMENT IN A
FOUR YEAR PUBLIC UNIVERSITY



LOWER UNEMPLOYMENT

HIGH RETURN ON INVESTMENT



NETWORKING

VALUE OF LEARNING



HIGHER EARNING POTENTIAL



MORE LIKELY TO SAVE FOR RETIREMENT

BETTER EDUCATED CHILDREN



ACCESS TO MORE JOBS

HEALTHIER



Middle school is a great place to start exploring options for postsecondary educational pathways. It is important to be aware of your choices! Explore four year universities [HERE](#).