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The Woodson Center Curriculum

A peaceful, prosperous American future is built on a shared understanding of our past that is sometimes painfully truthful, but also celebratory and aspirational. Students need hard facts, but they also need heroes to admire and follow. Our supplementary Black history and excellence curriculum nourishes developing minds with true stories of struggle, triumph, hope, and resilience.

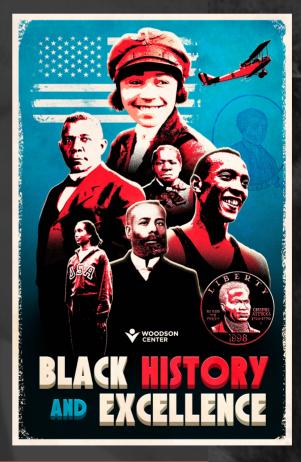
The Woodson Center's *curriculum includes*:

- Katherine Johnson, the NASA mathematician who helped put men on the moon.
- Laurence C. Jones, pioneering educator who built a life-changing school for the poor.
- The Golden 13, barrier-breaking patriots who became the first Black naval officers.
- Covert, Michigan, the small frontier town that rejected racial segregation.
- Bessie Coleman, daredevil aviator whose tragically short life blazed new trails.

Rather than view American history through a lens that emphasizes racial grievance and discourages lower-income children of color, the Woodson Center's free high school and K-8 lessons center on compelling stories of Black excellence, inspiring students to take charge of their futures and find their place in the American story.

Woodson Center lessons received high marks in a review by the Johns Hopkins University Institute for Education Policy. Since 2020, the lessons have been downloaded nearly 200,000 times for use in public, private, and charter schools; home schools; community and church-based programs; adult education courses; and much more.

Each lesson package includes educator-designed presentation decks, discussion activities, assessments, learning standards, and other supporting documents. Our material can be used to supplement history, civics, English, and social/emotional learning curricula.



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