

Curriculum Services

Holocaust Education

Holocaust education will be taught during a week designated by the District. The District will determine the grade level in elementary/middle school (6, 7, 8) and high school to provide such instruction and will determine the length of time allocated for instruction. Holocaust Instruction will include:

- a) Provision of a historical understanding of the Holocaust;
 - b) Provision of context for discussion of how and why the Holocaust occurred;
- Use of materials developed and supported by the Holocaust Education Awareness Commission, the United States Holocaust Memorial Mission and the St. Louis Kaplan.

Typically, Holocaust instruction will occur in Language Arts and/or Social Studies courses consistent with District curriculum.

For purposes of this Policy, “Holocaust” is defined as the systemic state-sponsored persecution and murder of six million Jews by the Nazi regime and its allies and collaborators during the period from 1933 through 1945. The District recognizes the second week of April as “Holocaust Education Week.” DESE’s Curriculum Framework of Instruction for Studying the Holocaust will be a resource for appropriate curriculum development.

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