

# March Highlights for Discovery Education

## **Timely & Relevant Resources**



### **Monthly Celebrations**

Find timely resources for all grade levels for each of these celebrations in their channels. Sign in to DE and select the link to explore.

- Women's History Month
- National Nutrition Month
- Music in Our Schools Month

### **Timely Celebrations**

- <u>Read Across America Day (3/2)</u> Celebrate with a virtual read aloud of <u>Sweet People Are</u> <u>Everywhere</u> by Alice Walker.
- World Wildlife Day (3/3) Travel the world to explore the largest predators and most exotic wildlife on land and in the sea.
- International SEL Day (3/11) Find instructional content and strategies as well as opportunities for professional learning in our Social-Emotional Learning Center.
- Pi Day (3/14) Prepare for a mathematics party with pies and digital resources!
- <u>St Patrick's Day (3/17)</u> Discover images, videos, and articles that explain the history of this holiday and showcase the various ways countries around the world celebrate the day.
- International Day of Happiness (3/20) Explore science-based tools to show how happiness can be achieves through learnable skills and practices.
- World Poetry Day (3/21) Learn about groundbreaking poets from history and how everyday people can use poetry to convey feelings and enrich their lives.
- <u>National Ag Day (3/22)</u> Dig into the exciting ways that the agricultural cooperative business model is connecting communities and inspiring everyday innovation nationwide.



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#### **March Activity Calendars**

Explore ready-to-use activities for the month of March that provide students with opportunities to explore their curiosity around a variety of topics in our NEW daily activity calendars for grades K-8. View current and past calendars at any time in our <u>Activity Center</u>.

March Calendars: K-2 3-5 6-8

### PL Resource of the Month: Empowering ELLs with Academic Vocabulary Development

This 3-5 minute microlearning will inspire you with ideas and provide you with strategies for teaching the acquisition of academic vocabulary to English Language Learners.



SOS Instructional Strategy Can You Guess My 2-1-4?

#### Strategy of the Month: Can You Guess My 2-1-4?

By looking at 2 facts, 1 clue, and 4 images, students make evidence-based inferences, leading them to logical conclusions about current or upcoming content. View all strategies in the <u>SOS Channel</u>.

#### Feature of the Month: Closed Caption Videos

Most DE videos include closed captions which can be turned on or off at any time. Additionally, settings such as font, size, and color can be adjusted to meet the students needs.





# Subject & Grade Level Specific Content

## **Elementary: PreK - 2**

- <u>Literacy: Grammaropolis</u> Through a combination of music videos and vignettes, Grammaropolis helps students learn about abstract grammar concepts through engaging visuals and storytelling. In this metropolis, punctuation and the parts of speech are personified based on the roles they play in a sentence.
- <u>Math: Prudential Monthly Math Challenges</u> Ignite students' excitement and curiosity about math with this series of monthly math challenges around a variety of topics.
- <u>Science: N\*GEN</u> Explore STEM topics with N\*GEN. Based in Africa, this program series teaches younger students about a variety of STEM topics.
- <u>Social Studies: Community Helpers</u> People of all ages can support their communities through volunteering and performing public services. Find resources to share with students to help them understand the variety of community helpers.
- <u>Health & Wellness: LaGolda SEL Resources by United Healthcare</u> By exploring important and potentially complex topics through the inviting animated community of LaGolda, students are able to stay open-minded, comfortable, and connected as they develop critical SEL concepts and skills.

## Elementary: 3 – 5

- Literacy: Kenny the Shark There is never a dull moment when the family pet is a tiger shark named Kenny. Being a shark, Kenny's instincts often make him try to eat the neighbor's dog or the occasional pizza delivery boy, but Kenny tries hard to curb his natural instincts so he can stay with his best bud, Kat.
- <u>Math: Visual Classroom</u> This series, available in English and Spanish, provides a simple and straightforward approach helping elementary school students to learn science concepts, as well as the related vocabulary.
- <u>Science: Discovery Science Alliance</u> Join students at the Discovery Science Alliance Academy, an elite academy where recruits learn to think things through, examine the data, apply the tools, master the skills, and become a team called the Discovery Science Alliance.
- <u>Social Studies: Women in History</u> Celebrate the remarkable journey and impact of women throughout history and learn contemporary stories of women changing the world. This collection showcases stories of pioneering women throughout history who fought for equality regardless of gender.
- <u>Health & Wellness: Child Mind Institute</u> Explore four series dedicated to stamping out stigma around mental illness and learning differences.



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## Secondary: 6 – 8

- <u>Literacy: Fables and Folktales</u> Decipher the themes and characters in fables and folktales. Cultures
  preserve stories of their history and heroes through folktales, which in most cultures originally were
  transmitted orally and sometimes accompanied by music and dance.
- <u>Math: Prudential Monthly Math Challenges</u> Ignite students' excitement and curiosity about math with this series of monthly math challenges around a variety of topics.
- <u>Science: DEmystified</u> In this DE Original Series, join Discovery Education on our endless journey to DEmystify the wonders of our world—you might just be surprised by what you find.
- <u>Social Studies: Global Oneness Project</u> Discover immersive documentary films that show individuals and communities who demonstrate resilience, passion, and advocacy as they contend with major issues facing humanity. In this collection, Global Oneness Project presents a series of stories that broaden our perspectives on social, cultural, and environmental issues.
- <u>Health & Wellness: Future Well Kids by the Abbott Fund</u> This program is partnering with schools and community organizations around the world to help teach children about choices that set them up for future health.

## Secondary: 9 – 12

- <u>Literacy: Podcasts</u> Podcasts help build students' listening comprehension skills and offer a unique, on-the-go way to consume content. The series in this collection focus on topics ranging from science to technology to history to art and more.
- <u>Math: Data Analysis and Probability</u> Discover the depths of data analysis! Data are facts and statistics collected for analysis and reference. Find a wealth of resources to support data.
- <u>Science: DE Originals</u> Explore this unique collection of kid-approved, standards-aligned videos designed to spark curiosity, break down complicated topics, and allow students to see themselves reflected—all while having a little fun along the way.
- <u>Social Studies: Interactives</u> Journey through history and explore global geography with this curated collection of social studies interactives. Participate in the debates of America's founding fathers, travel the trade paths of Ancient Rome, solve traffic congestion problems in Washington, D.C., and more.
- <u>Health & Wellness: Healthy Decisions</u> This channel provides grade-banded instructional materials and classroom resources to support students in developing healthy decision-making skills around such topics as alcohol and drugs, mental health and wellness, nutrition, and physical activity.



# **Events & Student Challenges for March 2022**



#### Virtual Viewing Party: Sweet People Are Everywhere Grades K-5, March 2, 2022

Join us for a virtual read aloud of <u>Sweet People Are Everywhere</u> by Alice Walker on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 for Read Across America Day. After the read aloud, Alice Walker and Quim Torres will share their processes for writing and illustrating the book. Registration will open mid-February.



#### Spring VirtCon: Engaging & Inspiring Learning Everyday Educators, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

Educators are engaging and inspiring others every single day in the lessons they create, relationships they build, and connections they make with other educators, their students and their communities—no matter how big or small they may seem. Join us for an evening of inspiration with your community of educators to hear how they use Discovery Education's compelling content to engage students in authentic and diverse ways.

### **Student Challenges**



Innovation Generation Trade Champions Challenge Grades 9-12 Open until April 15, 2022



Siemans STEM Day Possibility Grant Sweepstakes Ages 13-18 Open until April 22, 2022



<u>3M Young Scientist Challenge</u> Grades 5-8 Open until April 26, 2022



Stronger than Hate Challenge Ages 13-18 Open until May 26, 2022



Innovation Ignition Student Challenge Grades K-12 Open all year

