

Disabilities Awareness Resource Guide

Announcements:

In 2007, Senate Bill 753 declared October as Disability History and Awareness Month. The bill acknowledged that during our lifetimes each of us is likely to come into contact with someone who has a disability or we, as individuals, may become disabled ourselves. The bill was intended to "increase public awareness and respect for people with disabilities who comprise a substantial percentage of North Carolina's population, teach future generations that people with disabilities have a rich history and have made valuable contributions throughout North Carolina and the United States, and ensure future generations understand that disability is a natural part of life and that people with disabilities have a right to be treated as individuals above all else..." In fact, the bill reported that in North Carolina alone there were 1,117,577 people with disabilities out of a total population of 8,046,485 (U.S. Census Bureau 2000), and in 2003-2004 the public schools in North Carolina served approximately 193, 956 students with disabilities.

Here's the actual legislation:

<http://www.ncleg.net/sessions/2007/bills/senate/pdf/s753v4.pdf>

Famous People with Disabilities:

Ludwig van Beethoven (Deafness), Cher (Dyslexia), Tom Cruise (Dyslexia), Thomas Edison (Dyslexia; Deafness), Albert Einstein (Dyslexia), Stephen Hawking (Lou Gehrig's Disease), Katherine Hepburn (Parkinson's Disease), Helen Keller (Deafness, Blindness), Marilyn Monroe (Stutter), Napoleon I (Epilepsy), George Patton (Learning Disability), Woodrow Wilson (Dyslexia), Stevie Wonder (Blindness)

https://www.disabled-world.com/artman/publish/article_0060.shtml

Classroom Activities:

<http://museumofdisability.org/educational-resources/elementary-lesson-plans/>

<http://disability.mo.gov/files/HistoryAwareness.pdf>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B1SZywhH0gNpQk1ZdDBJVjZaVUk/view?usp=sharing>

<https://www.dvusd.org/cms/lib/AZ01901092/Centricity/Domain/1318/Disability%20Awareness%20Packet%202.pdf>

<https://www.dol.gov/odep/topics/ndeam/>

<https://adayinourshoes.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Understanding-Kids-with-Disabilities-LESSON-PLANS.pdf>

Videos:

<http://www.r-word.org/r-word-videos.aspx>

Autism related: What it is like to walk down a street when you have autism.

<https://youtu.be/plPNhooUUuc>

Autism related: Carly Fleischman- Carly's Cafe (perspective from non-verbal person with Autism)

<https://youtu.be/KmDGvquzn2k>

Books/Read Alouds:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1U3W-upsP7le76USRAds7JCeXRTOJPyBkly_CKDydBA/edit?ts=59c41df4

<http://museumofdisability.org/educational-resources/student-bibliographies/>

*Please check with your media specialist regarding use of any books that are not currently in the school library.

Bulletin Board Ideas:



