

**Disability History and Awareness Month
October 2020**

The month of October has been designated as Disabilities History and Awareness Month in the state of Missouri. A Resolution designates the third week of October of every year as "Disability History and Awareness Week" and encouraging our schools to provide instruction on disability history, people with disabilities, and the disability rights movement.

WHEREAS, there are approximately 126,000 students with disabilities educated by Missouri public schools; and

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 is founded on four principles: inclusion, full participation, economic self-sufficiency, and equality of opportunity for all people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, a key method of promoting these four principles is for our schools to recognize the contributions by people with disabilities to our society and provide instruction in disability history, people with disabilities, and the disability rights movement through school curriculum, school assemblies, and other school activities; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Clayton, Missouri, that the Board urges our schools to provide intensive instruction on disability history, people with disabilities, and the disability rights movement, especially during the third week of October, and periodically throughout the school year, and encourages other institutions to conduct and promote educational activities on those subjects.

Approved by the Board of Education on: October 14, 2020 (Date)

By:  (President, Board of Education)

By:  (Secretary, Board of Education)