

#### March 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 (3/8) Find instructional content and strategies as well as opportunities for professional learning in our Social-Emotional Learning Center.
- Ramadan (3/10 4/8) Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar and is believed that the Holy Qur'an was sent down from heaven at this time.
- Pi Day (3/14) Prepare for a mathematics party with pies and digital resources!
- St Patrick's Day (3/17) Discover images, videos, and articles that explain the history of this
  holiday and showcase the various ways countries around the world celebrate the day.
- First Day of Spring (3/19) Discover a collection of videos, images, songs, and writing prompts that explore the science behind the seasons and their environmental effects.
- National Ag Day (3/19) Dig into the exciting ways that the agricultural cooperative business model is connecting communities and inspiring everyday innovation nationwide.
- International Day of Happiness (3/20) Explore science-based tools to show how happiness can be achieved through learnable skills and practices.



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#### **Ready-To-Use Activities**

Explore ready-to-use activities to use this month that provide students with opportunities to explore their curiosity around a variety of topics in our <u>Instructional Activities Channel</u>.

# 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.

Empowering ELLs:
Academic Vocabulary
Development

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 **SOS Channel**.

#### 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.





#### **Grades PreK – 2 Recommended Resources:**

- <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.
- Math: Prudential Monthly Math Challenges 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.
- Health & Wellness: LaGolda SEL Resources by United Healthcare 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.

#### **Grades 3-5 Recommended Resources:**

- <u>Literacy: Kenny the Shark</u> 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.
- Math: Visual Classroom 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.
- Health & Wellness: Child Mind Institute Explore four series dedicated to stamping out stigma around mental illness and learning differences.



#### **Grades 6-8 Recommended Resources:**

- <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.
- Math: Prudential Monthly Math Challenges 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.
- Health & Wellness: Future Well Kids by the Abbott Fund 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.

#### **Grades 9-12 Recommended Resources:**

- <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.
- Math: Data Analysis and Probability 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.
- Health & Wellness: Healthy Decisions 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 & New Content for March 2024**



## The 3M Young Scientist Challenge Grades 5-8 | Open Now

The 3M Young Scientist Challenge invites middle school students to submit a 1-2 minute video explaining their unique solution to an existing problem for the chance to win an exclusive 3M mentorship and \$25,000. Inspire student registration with helpful resources including entry topics, challenge rules, important dates, and more!



# Innovators for Impact A Virtual Field Trip with Olympian Katie Ledecky and Panasonic Grades 6-12 | On-Demand

Take a trip overseas with Katie Ledecky, a 7-time Olympic Champion, 21-time World Champion, and 3-time Olympian, as she visits a future-forward region of Japan where sustainable science is being used to transform everyday life for the better. Students will explore ways that exciting innovations in robotics, smart mobility solutions, and renewable energy are being used by STEM experts at Panasonic to help make sustainable smart towns a reality.



## Conservation Station Digital Lesson Bundles Grades 6-8

Show your students how they can create a more resourceful world with brand new STEM investigations! Explore creative ways that technology can be used to mitigate water waste and find out how everyone from industry-leading companies to individuals can help make a difference. Students will meet solution seekers working at Itron and hear from a teen who developed an app that helps people better manage their own water usage.