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Board of Education Meeting



- SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 -

Moving to the Next Level

One Voice... One Vision... One Mission

An equitable, inclusive, and high-quality education is every child's civil right; and our District, Families, Students, and Community Stakeholders must work together collectively speaking with **ONE VOICE ...** focusing on **ONE VISION...** to achieve **ONE MISSION** which is to ensure that the brilliance of children is realized and celebrated every day in every BPS School.



TOGETHER, WE WILL:

- Place a high premium on safety and wellness
- Continue to advance a curriculum that engages students in work that is meaningful and rigorous
- Implement purposeful recruitment, selection, orientation, and placement of a diverse workforce in our district and schools
- Advance opportunities for our community and family engagement which will improve student learning and development

Renewed
Relationship
with Our
Families and
Students

Rigorous
Early
Elementary
Education

Strong
Community
Schools

Innovative
High
Schools

Extended
Learning
Excellence for
All Our
Students

Services for
Our Neediest
Children and
Families

Revive Our
Relationship
with Our
Teachers &
Principals

Fortified
Connection
with Our
Community
Partners



SEPTEMBER 15TH

THROUGH

OCTOBER 15TH

Nationally recognized month
honoring and celebrating the
heritage, history, and legacy
of Hispanic and Latinx
Americans in the United States



BACKGROUND

- National Hispanic Heritage incorporates contributions from those whose ancestors originated in Central and South America, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Spain
- In 1968, a one-week celebration was initiated under President Lyndon Johnson
- On August 17, 1988, President Ronald Regan, enacted into law the expansion of the celebration of Hispanic Heritage to a full month
- September 15th is a significant date – the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries:
 - Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, & Nicaragua

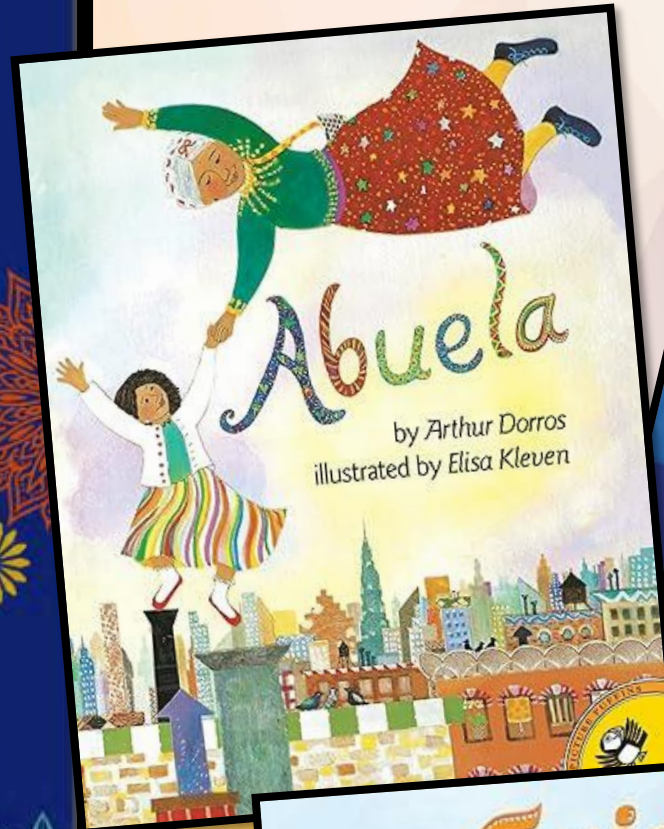
DIVERSITY CELEBRATION SERIES
September 2024

Las Escuelas Públicas de Buffalo Celebran
"Pioneros del Cambio: Formando el futuro juntos"
Honrando el espíritu de innovación, resiliencia,
y unidad que define la experiencia Latinx

**NATIONAL
HISPANIC
HERITAGE MONTH**

The Buffalo Public Schools Celebrates
"Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together"
Honoring the spirit of innovation, resilience,
and unity that define the Latinx experience

15 de Septiembre al 15 de Octubre | September 15 to October 15





**IN THE BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HONOR AND CELEBRATE THE LEGACY, CULTURE,
AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY EACH AND EVERY DAY.**

**21% OF OUR STUDENT POPULATION IDENTIFIES AS LATINX
5 OF OUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OFFER BILINGUAL OR DUAL-LINGUAL PROGRAMS**

A CELEBRATION ACROSS THE DISTRICT



ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

SCHOOL 61 IS LEARNING ABOUT AND CREATING THE SACRED HEART OF MEXICO, WITH A CONNECTION TO CHARACTER EDUCATION



MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLIGHTING LATINX FACTS, IMPORTANT DATES IN HISTORY, FAMOUS PEOPLE, AND INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES

HOME CONNECTION PROJECTS

UPLIFTING FAMILIES' LATINX CULTURE



SCHOOL-WIDE CELEBRATIONS

SCHOOL 3 CONNECTION TO THE THEME, "PIONEERS OF CHANGE" HIGHLIGHTS THE GREATNESS WITHIN THEIR SCHOOL'S LATINX COMMUNITY

SCHOOL 42'S TASTE OF PUERTO RICO

DOOR DECORATING CONTESTS

INCLUDING THE INCORPORATION OF SCHOOL SCAVENGER HUNTS TO INFUSE INTERACTIVE AND MOVEMENT-BASED LEARNING



WHOLE SCHOOL COLLECTIVE LEARNING

A SHARED LESSON FOR ALL STUDENTS FEATURING LATINX CULTURE & HISTORY

Hispanic Heritage Month Spotlight On Frida Kahlo



A CELEBRATION OF LOCAL CONNECTIONS

HISPANIC HERITAGE DISTRICT LOCAL ARTISTS MURALS

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

SHEAS IS BRINGING A BILINGUAL RENINDITION OF SHAKESPEARE TO SCHOOL 207





HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH ARTISTIC EXPRESSION CONTEST

Submissions must be connected to
the National Hispanic Heritage Month Theme:
"Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together"

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and unity that define the Latinx experience



Open to all BPS Students

Accepted Submission Formats:

Poetry * Artwork * Short Essay

Submissions Due Electronically
September 30, 2024

<https://forms.gle/yfdbY7P6VWc94D3z6>



2024 HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH THEME

PIONEERS OF CHANGE

SHAPING THE FUTURE TOGETHER

How are YOU
a **pioneer for change**
and shaping the future to
honor the greatness
of our Latinx students?

THANK

YOU!





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