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PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February and Forever: Celebrating Black History today and every day is the theme of Halton District School Board (HDSB) Black History Month activities.

Throughout February, the board will celebrate and honour contributions of Black Canadians, both past and present.

SOME OF THE EVENTS ARE:

- Canadian author Yolanda Marshall will take students in kindergarten to Gr. 8 on a literary adventure through storytelling every Wednesday throughout the month
- Renowned Canadian author Lawrence Hill will visit the Milton Public Library on Feb. 10 to discuss

his newest children's novel, 'Beatrice and Croc Harry'. Board schools will join the conversation virtually.

- Sizzlin' Halton for secondary students features chefs Wayne General and Delvon Greene as they explore the secrets and spices of Caribbean cooking, an event sponsored by the Canadian Caribbean Association of Halton.
- International Spoken Word artist Dwayne Morgan returns this year, addressing students in Grades 6 to 12 about Black Excellence through spoken word.

"Black History Month is a time to commemorate the important achievements, contributions and excellence of Black Canadians," said Curtis Ennis, HDSB director of education. "This month provides our educators another opportunity to teach and discuss the strength, brilliance and achievements of the Black community, to acknowledge the diversity within, and the extensive role Black Canadians have played and continue to play in shaping this country."

Black History Month affirms Black identity in educational lessons and resources, as well as our collective duty to continue the learning and conversation beyond this month into everyday teaching moments within our schools and broader HDSB community, said Rob Eatough, superintendent of education, with a focus on Human Rights, Equity & Inclusive Education.

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