




District 97 Celebrations

April 2024





 District 97 Comes Together for the April 8 Solar Eclipse!





2024 Staszak Outstanding Educator of the Year Award from the Oak Park Education Foundation



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Multilingual Teacher - Holmes Elementary

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Jaros was chosen by OPEF for, "her work as a beloved teacher, advocate for multilingual students and dedication to meeting the needs of new migrant families to Holmes."

Jaros will be honored during OPEF's Bingo Bash event on May 10 at the 19th Century Club in Oak Park. The event is a fundraiser to support OPEF programs in D97 schools, such as Spoken Word, Vex Robotics, Art Start, and STEAM Exploration, as well as scholarships for summer BASE Camps.



COMING SOON: District 97 Annual Identity Celebration Calendar

In order to increase awareness of heritage/identity celebrations and create alignment across D97 schools, we are developing annual identity celebration calendar that will be shared with all staff members and families ahead of the 2024-25 school year.

Example pictured to the right: Harvard Heritage and Awareness Calendar

2024 Harvard Heritage and Awareness Calendar
 Share your ideas & learn more: [EDIB.HARVARD.EDU/HERITAGE-MONTHS](https://edib.harvard.edu/heritage-months)

JANUARY 1/15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	FEBRUARY Black History Month 2/4: Rosa Parks Day 2/10: Lunar New Year 2/24: Lantern Festival	MARCH Women's History Month 3/8: International Women's Day 3/31: International Transgender Day of Visibility
APRIL Sexual Assault Awareness Month Arab American Heritage Month	MAY Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Mental Health Awareness Month Jewish American Heritage Month 5/6: Holocaust Memorial Day - Yom HaShoah	JUNE LGBTQ+ Pride Month 6/19: Juneteenth
JULY Disability Pride Month	SEPTEMBER Latinx Heritage Month	OCTOBER LGBTQ+ History Month National Disability Employment Awareness Month 10/14: Indigenous Peoples' Day 10/11: National Coming Out Day
NOVEMBER Native American Heritage Month 11/8: National First Generation Day 11/20: Transgender Day of Remembrance	DECEMBER 12/3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities	Use this calendar to plan inclusion efforts and submit events to: edib.harvard.edu/calendar-submissions

Consider religious observances in event planning with Harvard Divinity School's Multifaith Calendar: bit.ly/HU-multifaith



APRIL: Arab American Heritage Month



ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Help us celebrate National Arab American Heritage Month with District 97 by sharing your stories, photos and videos! Tweet @OakPark97 or email us at d97feedback@op97.org.