

WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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WEST OSO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH & MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION

DATE OF EVENT: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2026

LOCATION: WEST OSO JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
5202 BEAR LANE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX 78405

TIME: 9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM

West Oso Independent School District proudly launched its 2026 Black History Month celebration on Monday, February 2, 2026, with a month-long series of engaging activities designed to educate, inspire, and honor the rich legacy of African Americans. Throughout the month of February, students across the district will participate in campus-wide activities, classroom spotlights highlighting influential Black leaders and innovators, curated library displays, and daily announcements recognizing the lasting contributions of African Americans in history and within communities today.

This year's national theme, "A Century of Black History Commemorations," marks the 100th anniversary of the first formal observance of Black history, established in 1926 by historian Dr. Carter G. Woodson as "Negro History Week." The theme reflects on the transformative journey of honoring Black history over the past century and explores how annual commemorations have preserved truth, strengthened identity, and inspired generations of progress.

"At West Oso ISD, we are committed to celebrating Black history not only as a reflection of the past, but as a living legacy that continues to shape our schools and society," said district leadership. "This month is an opportunity for our students to learn, reflect, and honor the individuals and stories that have made a lasting impact."

The celebration will culminate with the district-wide Black History Month Program on Friday, February 20, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the West Oso Junior High School Auditorium, 5202 Bear Lane, Corpus Christi, TX 78405. The event will feature student performances in dance, music, spoken word, and poetry from grades PK–12, highlighting both historical tributes and contemporary expressions of culture and achievement.

“As we celebrate Black History Month, we honor the labor, leadership, and legacy of those who paved the way before us,” said Superintendent Kimberly Moore. “This month is about more than remembering history—it’s about empowering our students to see themselves as future leaders, innovators, and changemakers. When our students understand the strength and resilience woven into their heritage, they gain confidence to shape the future.”

West Oso ISD remains committed to fostering an inclusive learning environment where every student’s story is valued and every contribution is celebrated. Through awareness, education, and meaningful engagement, the district continues to uplift the voices and accomplishments that have strengthened our nation and our community.