

**Culturally Relevant Courses  
offered at the  
Middle School level:**

**7th/8th Grade Language Arts:**

This course promotes the mastery of literacy standards including reading, writing, listening, speaking and critical thinking through the use of literature primarily focusing on the experience of Mexican American people in the first semester, and African American people in the second semester.

**7th/8th Grade Social Studies:**

This course presents an in-depth, interdisciplinary study of the designated history standards centered on the impact, and the contributions made by groups including Mexican Americans and African Americans.

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## **Culturally Relevant African American Courses**

are offered at your high school:

### **American History**

An investigation of the unique African American experience with content centered on the development of American history spanning the pre-colonial era in Africa and America through modern times.

### **U.S. Government**

With an emphasis on the African American experience, this course looks critically at the development of the American political system, government function, practices and structures. This course fulfills graduation requirements.

This class emphasizes mastery of reading, writing, listening, speaking, and critical thinking through an exploration of African American literature. This is a course that represents an interdisciplinary study of the breath of the major developments in the unique, broad story of the Indigenous/African/Black experience.

### **American History**

This course presents an in depth interdisciplinary study of the major developments in the unique history of the Mexican American/ Chicana/o experience within American History.

### **U.S. Government**

This course has an emphasis on Mexican American perspectives that fulfills American Government credit and is centered on the development of the political system and the various social, political and economic issues. This course fulfills graduation requirements.