

Dear Connecticut legislators:

I am writing to testify my hearty support of HB 7082, a bill that would require Connecticut Public Schools to teach Black History as part of the permanent curriculum. Black History IS American History and should be taught as such. My three sons go to a very small, very homogeneous rural school in East Hartland. The small window that Black History Month allows for their education of Black History is simply insufficient for them to learn about the huge impact of Black Americans. While I try to do my best as their parent to teach them what I can about Black History, the fact remains I am not a professional educator and those important lessons should be a part of their public school education. I implore you to pass this bill and put Connecticut on the forefront of a well-rounded, fair and honest education.

Thank you,  
Amanda Lukingbeal.