

# New Jersey Department of Education

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## *Historic and Cultural Commissions*

Please note that this presentation has been modified from its original version to be more accessible.



# *The New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education*



The mission of the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education is to provide remembrance of the victims of genocide and reduce the evils of bias, bullying, bigotry and prejudice in schools.

- April is Genocide Awareness Month in New Jersey
- Raise awareness of Holocaust and Genocide and its effects on the community
- The Commission provides educational materials for classroom use on Holocaust education



# *The New Jersey Commission on Italian and Italian American Heritage*



The mission of the Italian and Italian American Heritage Commission is to build and strengthen the cultural identity of Italians and Italian Americans through public education programs.

- Raise public awareness of the rich and varied culture and achievements of Italian Americans
- Educate our students on the history and heritage of Italians and Americans of Italian Heritage
- The Commission provides educational materials for classroom use on Italians and Americans of Italian Heritage



# *The New Jersey Commission on Latino and Hispanic Heritage*



The mission of the New Jersey Commission on Latino and Hispanic Heritage is to promote and encourage the implementation of Latino and Hispanic Heritage through education, awareness, and culture.

- Promote and encourage the implementation of Latino and Hispanic Heritage through education, awareness, and culture
- Coordinate designated events that will highlight the accomplishments of Latinos and Hispanics on a regular basis throughout the state
- The Commission provides educational materials for classroom use on Latino and Hispanic Heritage



# *The New Jersey Amistad Commission*



The Amistad Commission ensures that the Department of Education and public schools of New Jersey implement materials and texts which integrate the history and contributions of African-Americans and the descendants of the African Diaspora.

- The Amistad Commission, so named in honor of the 10 group of enslaved Africans led by Joseph Cinque
- African-American history has been incorporated into the New Jersey Student Learning Standards
- The Commission provides educational materials for classroom use on Amistad education

