



# Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Department

## UPDATES AND REMINDERS

### CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS CALENDAR 2022-23

Our department is pleased to showcase our Cultural and Religious Observances Calendar for the 2022-23 school year. Additional resources for observances, holidays, etc. will be distributed throughout the year. Please scan the barcode for this year's full calendar.

*Note - this is a working document that may be updated.*



### NATURAL LEADERS AT EPS

We are thrilled to announce that our Natural Leaders now have a space at the district office in the Atrium. This allows for a continued partnership with the Natural Leaders and the PTSA.

The Natural Leaders program grew exponentially in the 2021-22 school year and we intend to have 100% participation in this new school year. **If your school buildings need a NL program started**, please reach out to Director Joi Grant at x4137 or [JGrant@everettsd.org](mailto:JGrant@everettsd.org)

### ORANGE SHIRT DAY: 9/30/22

Our department would like to acknowledge the Indigenous Peoples experiences and loss of the First Nation where children were stolen from their families and placed in residential schools. The slogan, "Every Child Matters" speaks to those who were left behind and still healing from the trauma. Although this is recognized in Canada, our department would like to continue to honor Native Lands in a continuation of our Land Acknowledgements messaging. We ask that you bring awareness and support to this by wearing orange for truth and reconciliation. Read [here](#) for more information.

### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Department will be supporting the Communities of Colors Coalition (C3) and their 10th annual Conference on Race. We have EPS staff members in attendance as well as a few of our council members. We would love to see additional EPS volunteers in attendance on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 9:00 AM -4:00 PM for more information click [here](#).