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## Celebrations for the Month of May 2022

As we enter the month of May 2022, we are proud to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of our Asian American and Pacific Islanders, Jewish Americans, recognize the attributes of Haitian Heritage, and honor the May 20<sup>th</sup> Emancipation of Florida. We are a fortunate country in that we have many citizens who have contributed to this great nation, making it one of greatest melting pots in the world. For more information please see the links below.

<https://www.dodea.edu/dodeaCelebrates/Asian-American-Pacific-Islander-Heritage-Month.cfm>

**ASCD CELEBRATES**  
**Asian American and Pacific Islander Month**

AAPI Heritage Month is not only a time to celebrate and honor AAPI cultures across the United States, but also an opportunity to advocate for their equity and safety.

**POPULATION**

Asian Americans  
7% or over  
22.4 million  
United States  
Population

**LARGEST ETHNIC GROUPS**

- Chinese
- Indian
- Filipino

Source: Pew Research

**IMMIGRATION TIMELINE**

**1587**  
Filipinos landed in California as the first Asians documented in the Americas.

**1788**  
The first Chinese immigrants arrived in Hawaii.

**1843**  
The first official Japanese immigrant arrived in California at the height of the gold rush.

**1920**  
The first Samoans were documented in Hawaii. Immigrants continued to come from Asia and the Pacific Islands.

**MAY 1990**  
Proclamation 6130 designated May 1990 as the first AAPI month.

<https://www.jewishheritagemonth.gov/>



<https://nationaltoday.com/haitian-heritage-month/>



May 20<sup>th</sup> is the celebration of Florida's Emancipation

<https://dos.myflorida.com/library-archives/research/explore-our-resources/emancipation/>

