

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE ASSEMBLY
(Grade Appropriate for Middle, Junior and Senior High Schools)
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PROGRAM CONTENT

This assembly is designed to acquaint students with one of the most influential persons of our country's history. By his strong convictions to advocate for the civil rights for all people (regardless of color), Dr. King has in some way touched the lives of everyone.

The assembly begins with a dramatization of Rosa Parks and then is followed by a historically focused poem about Martin Luther King, Jr. The program continues with an innovative activity that provides the students with a personal experience with the common ground elements of human kind. The assembly is upbeat and motivational with the inclusion of how the respect of diversity plays a role in all of our lives. The program lasts for approximately 45 minutes.

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION ACTIVITIES

- * Present and discuss biographical information about Martin Luther King, Jr.
- * Present and discuss biographical information about Rosa Parks
- * Discuss the meaning of the words "discrimination", "prejudice", "boycott" and "civil rights".
- * Read and discuss the "I Have a Dream Speech"
- * Read and discuss the development of guidelines for dealing with issues of diversity and equity.

SUGGESTED FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

- * Discuss how each student and staff can make a difference (suggestions: completing community service projects that demonstrate respect for diversity)
- * "*What is Moral Courage?*" – Knowing and doing what is right, even if it is difficult.

- Tell the truth in spite of consequences
- Resist temptation to do wrong
- Ignore peer pressure in order to "do the right thing"

Have students write examples of how they have demonstrated moral courage or ways that they feel moral courage could be demonstrated.

COST: \$500 (UP TO 1,000 STUDENTS)

\$750 (OVER 1,000 AND UP TO 2000 STUDENTS)

\$1,000 (OVER 2,000 STUDENTS)

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