

# 2022 VCCS Diversity Calendar

Every Day Matters. Every  
Culture Counts. Embrace  
Equity for Everyone.

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# JANUARY

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1: New Year's Day  
14: Sankranti (Hindu)  
16: World Religion Day  
17: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
18: National Day of Racial Healing  
19-20: VCCS State Board Meeting  
21: President's Day  
26-27: VCCS Technology Council  
27: International Holocaust Remembrance Day



**We must learn about other cultures in order to understand, in order to love, and in order to preserve our common world heritage.**

*Yo Yo Ma*

# FEBRUARY

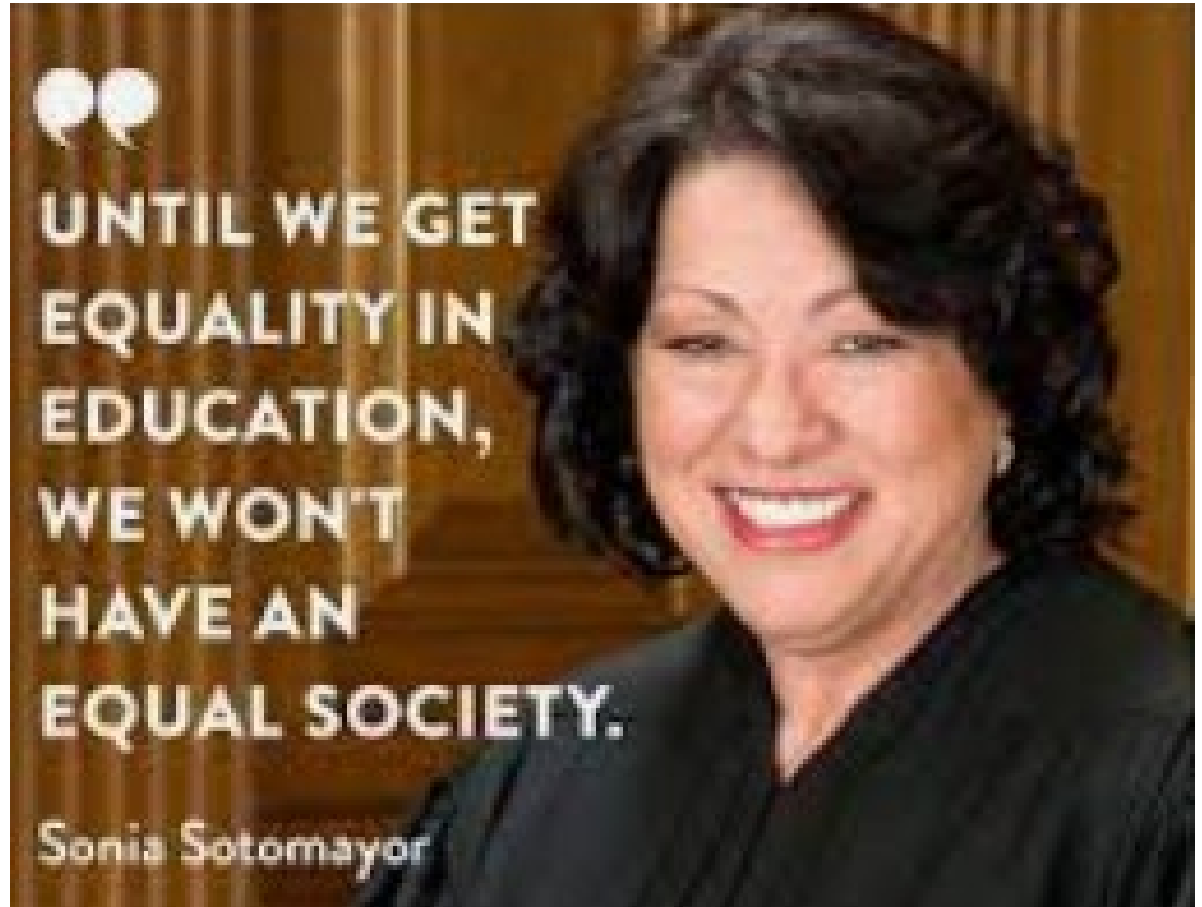
*Black History Month*

1: Chinese New Year

14: Valentine's Day

15: Nirvana Day (Buddhist)

16-17: Advisory Council of  
Presidents



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UNTIL WE GET  
EQUALITY IN  
EDUCATION,  
WE WON'T  
HAVE AN  
EQUAL SOCIETY.”

Sonia Sotomayor

# MARCH

*National Women's History Month*

2: Ash Wednesday (Beginning of Lent)

8: International Women's Day

16-17: Purim (Jewish)

16-17: VCCS State Board Meeting

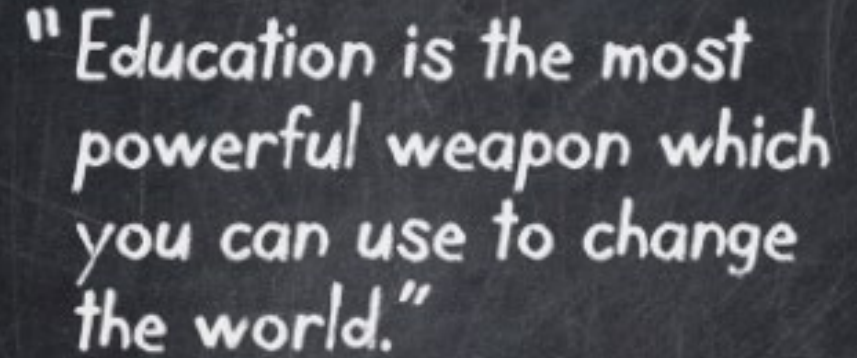
17: St. Patrick's Day

21: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

21: Naw-Ruz (Bahai)

23-24: VCCS Technology Council

24-25: Chancellor's Faculty Advisory Council

A photograph of a dark chalkboard with white chalk text. The text is a quote by Nelson Mandela: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." The quote is written in a cursive, handwritten style.

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-Nelson Mandela



Educating the mind without  
educating the heart  
is no education at all.

-- Aristotle

## APRIL

- 2: World Autism Awareness Day
- 2: Ramadan through May 1 (Islam)
- 6-8: New Horizons Conference
- 15: Mahavir Jayanti (Jain)
- 15-22: Passover (Jewish)
- 17: Easter
- 21-23: Gathering of Nations (Native American)
- 22: Earth Day

# MAY

*Asian American-Pacific Islander Heritage Month*

*Mental Health Awareness Month*

*Older Americans Month*

2-3: Eid al-Fitr (end of Ramadan)

5: Cinco de Mayo

8: Mother's Day

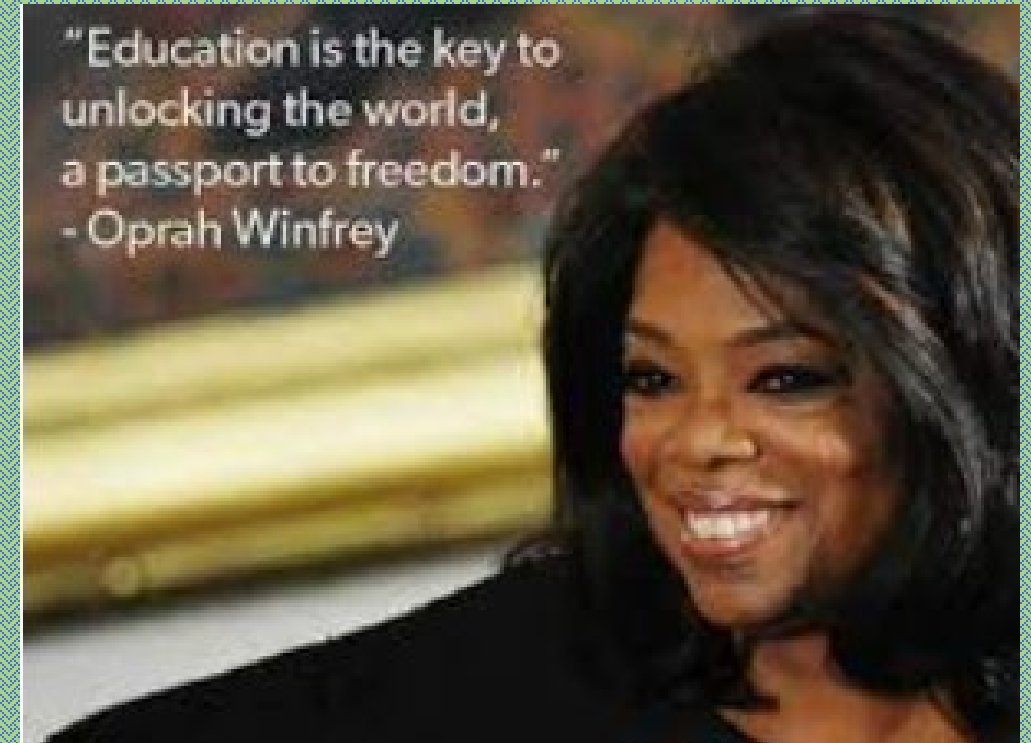
16: Vesak (Buddhism)

17: International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia,  
Biphobia

18-19: VCCS State Board Meeting

25-26: VCCS Technology Council

30: Memorial Day



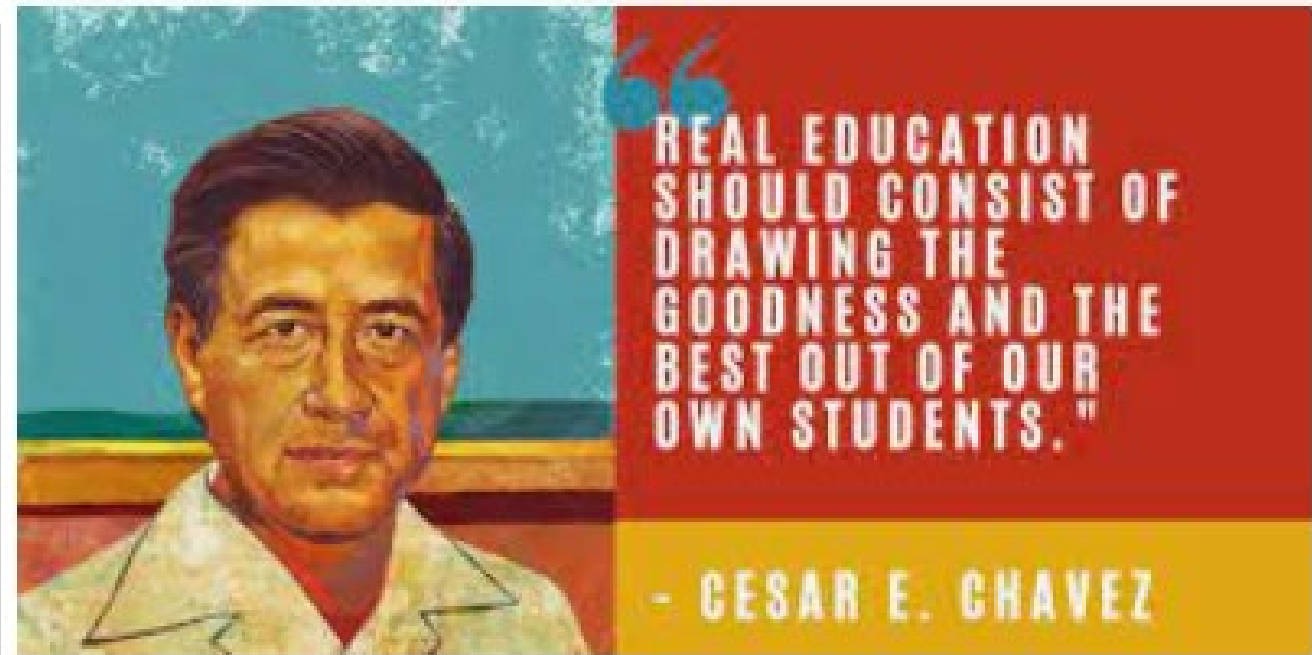
# JUNE

*LGBTQ Pride Month*

8: Race Unity Day

19: Juneteenth

19: Father's Day



# JULY

4: Independence Day

7-12: The Hajj (Islam)

26: Americans with Disabilities Act

29-30: Hijri New Year (Islam)

"I hope many of you will be people that question why things are and why we have to do them the way we have always done them. I hope you will take some risks, exert some real leadership on issues, and if you will, dance along the edge of the roof as you continue for life."

— Wilma Mankiller



# AUGUST

*Diversity Awareness Month*

8: Women's Equality Day

9: International Day of World's Indigenous People

"Almost every student you meet may be fighting a battle you know nothing about. Stop. think. then make your response accordingly."

--Robert John Meehan

# SEPTEMBER

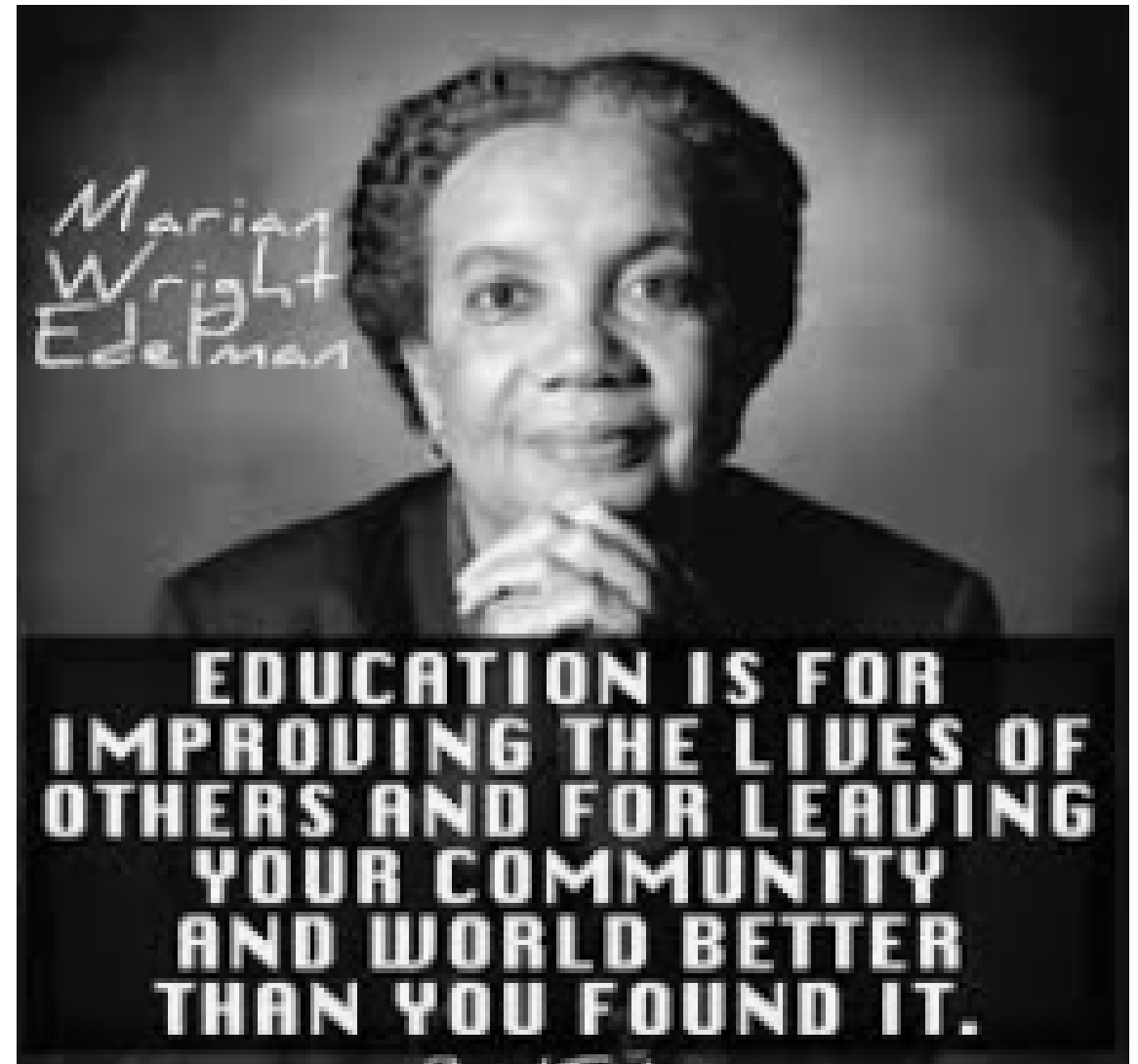
*National Hispanic Heritage Month*

Sept.15-Oct. 15

5: Labor Day

23-31:Paryushana (Jain)

25-27: Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)



The real answer to “*How did you get so smart?*” is simply this: I wanted to. And you can, too!”

- Jeopardy! Champ Amy Schneider



# OCTOBER

*National Disability  
Employment Awareness  
Month*

10: U.S. Indigenous Peoples Day

10: Columbus Day

14: Yom Kippur

19: International Pronouns Day



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A quality education has the power to transform societies in a single generation, provide children with the protection they need from the hazards of poverty, labour exploitation and disease, and give them the knowledge, skills and confidence to reach their full potential.

*Audrey Hepburn*

# NOVEMBER

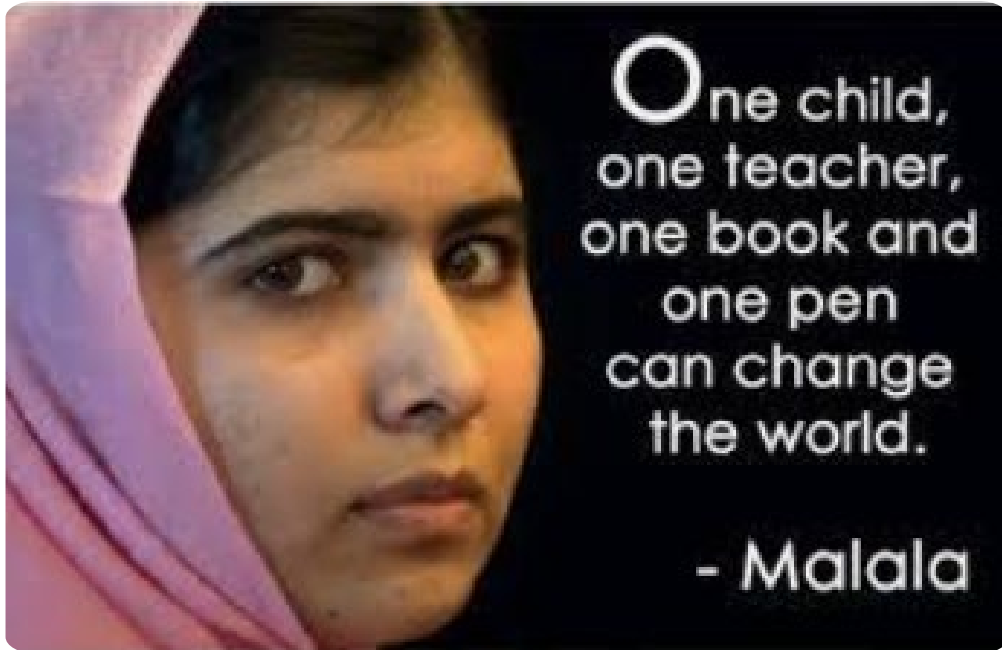
*Native American Heritage Month*

1-2: Dia de los Muertos

1: All Saints' Day

16: International Day for Tolerance

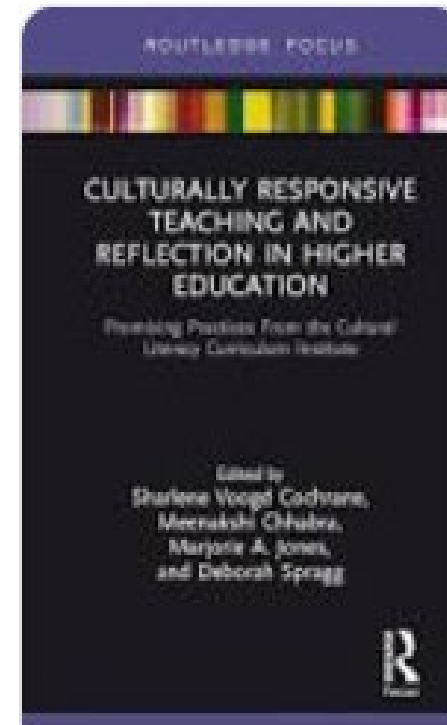
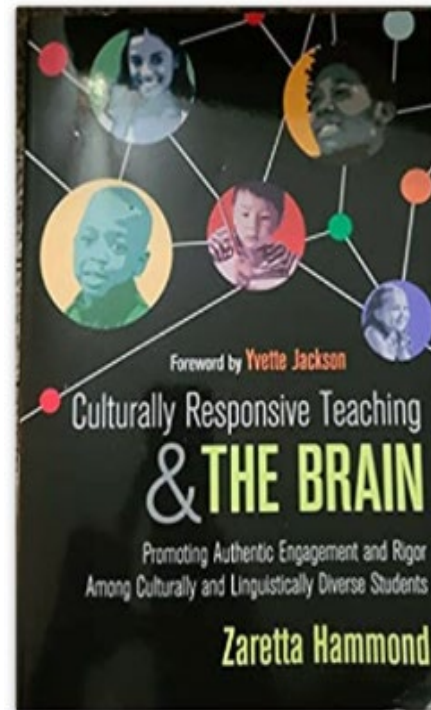
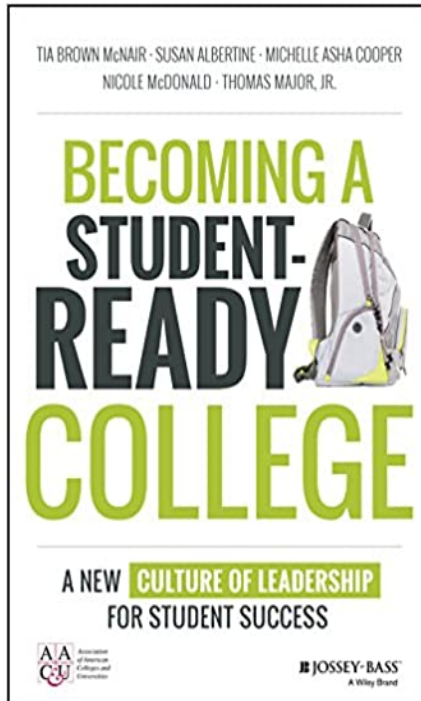
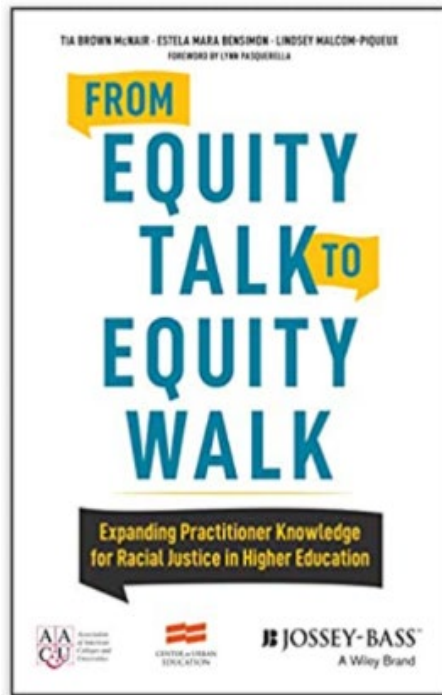
20: Transgender Day of Remembrance



# DECEMBER

- 1: World AIDS Day
- 18-26: Hanukkah
- 25: Christmas
- 26-31: Kwanzaa

# Resources



Questions? Remarks? Suggestions? Please contact:  
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