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How to Observe Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday in the Classroom
A workshop for public school teachers
December 7, 1985
EWU Spokane Center
Schedule
Saturday, December 7, 1985
EWU Spokane Center, 4th Floor Mall
9:00-9:15 a.m. — Registration
9:20-9:40 a.m. — Plenary Session
9:45-10:00 a.m. — Coffee Break and Late Registration
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Concurrent Sessions A & B
1:00-2:00 p.m. — Lunch, EWU Spokane Center Cafeteria

Workshop Objectives
The workshop is designed to raise the consciousness of public school teachers about the importance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in world history. It will assist teachers in the preparation of appropriate teaching strategies and materials which should make the observance of Dr. King’s birthday more meaningful for children.

The workshop will also provide instructional materials that can be integrated into classroom instruction throughout the school year.

Session A
10:00 a.m. — Room 407
Kindergarten-Grade 6
Integrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s contributions into the curriculum.
Strategies, materials and information to support year-round instruction.
Presenter: Ms Christine Poole, Elementary Media and Library Coordinator Portland School District Portland, Oregon

Session B
10:00 a.m. — Room 409
Grades 7-12
The Meaning of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr in American History.
Strategies, Materials and Bibliographical Notes.
Circumstances leading to the Declaration of the Holiday.
Importance of Dr. King, Jr’s Holiday.
Presenter: Dr. Earl Smith Professor Comparative American Cultures Washington State University Pullman, Washington

Notes on Presenters
Christine Poole
Ms. Poole earned her Bachelor of Arts in Social Science from Sacramento State College and a Masters in Library Science from the University of Oregon. She received additional training in the development of Library Material for Minority Groups at Queens College, New York under the sponsorship of the U.S Office of Education in the summer of 1972 and has since worked as Minority Materials Reviewer for many school districts on the West Coast. Ms. Poole has life graduate certification in Elementary Teaching, Standard Elementary, Standard Elementary Media — Pre-Primary to Grade 12 and Public School Administration. She is recognized for the numerous in-service workshops she gives on instructional technology and minority materials development.

Earl Smith
Before joining the faculty at Washington State University, Dr. Earl Smith taught and headed the Afro-American Studies Department at the State University of New York, Brockport. He has formal training in Afro-American History and Sociology and has extensive teaching experience at the secondary school and college levels. Dr. Smith is widely published in the areas of sociology, anthropology and Black Studies. He is presently involved in two national studies, one on “Stress and Productivity among Black Faculty at Universities in the United States” and the other on “Homicide Behavior Among Black Males.” Dr. Smith received his masters and Ph.D degrees from the University of Connecticut at Storrs, Connecticut.