

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about an upcoming virtual educational program for your 9th grader with the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum (DHHRM). Richardson ISD has a long-standing partnership with the Museum.

As a history museum that explores the historical impact of prejudice and hatred, the Museum's programming for secondary grades is developed by Texas certified teachers on their education team. The *Confronting Prejudice and Hatred* program allows students to explore four factors (lack of knowledge, emotions, dehumanization, and silence) that drive prejudice and hatred through historical examples in world history.

The *Confronting Prejudice and Hatred* program supports the skills outlined in Richardson ISD's Graduate Profile (effective communication – engage in multiple methods of communication | emotional intelligence – values others) and the following Positive Character Traits required to be taught in 9th grade by the Texas Education Agency: courage, integrity, respect and courtesy, fairness, and good citizenship. The program also connects to the 9th grade World Geography curriculum and the following required Texas teaching standards (TEKS):

- World Geography TEKS: 14B&C, 15A&B, 17C, 18A&B

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this educational program, please do not hesitate to email Angie Lee at angie.lee@risd.org.

Warm regards,