



Black History Resources for Educators

Document Resources

- [African American Subject Guide](#)
A comprehensive guide to African American records in the Delaware Public Archives.
- [Delaware Laws of 1829](#)
Laws reflecting racial attitudes and legal structures in early 19th-century Delaware.
- [Joseph Barker's "Negro Ledger Book" 1808-1811](#)
Primary source showing transactions of a general merchant with Black customers. (This record is also available on microfilm.)
Resource ID: 9025-K01-000; Box 354502
- [Schools at War - A Report to the Nation: Frankford Colored School #206](#)
A scrapbook highlighting Black students' educational experiences during wartime.
Resource ID: 1325-003-095-001; Box 555575, Folder 3
- [Slavery Papers](#)
Legal documents relating to enslaved individuals in Delaware.
Various collections

Oral Histories & Speeches

- [Mrs. Jean Jamison of the NAACP Speaking About Civil Rights; February 6, 1949](#)
Audio of Jean Jamison speaking on civil rights.
Resource ID: 9014-000-001; Disc 271, cut 1, part 2
- [Senator Herman Holloway, Delaware Senate Floor Discussion; June 30, 1984](#)
Speech regarding House Bill 23, which established Martin Luther King Jr. Day in Delaware.
Resource ID: 1120-000-002_LTS-0540-03a

eBooks

- [African American Education in Delaware – A History Through Photographs: 1865-1930](#) by Bradley Skelcher, Ph.D.
- [A History of African Americans of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore](#) by Carol C. Marks, Ed.
- [Troubled in Mind: J. Saunders Redding's Early Years in Wilmington, Delaware](#) by J. Saunders Redding



Education & Government Collections

- [Board of Education Photo Collection](#)
Photos of school construction, events, and education milestones.
Resource ID: 8005-000-015 | [Collection description](#)
- [Edmund Steiner Collection, Correspondence](#)
School board correspondence offering insight into education policy in Milford, Delaware.
Resource ID: 9200-S16-000 | [Collection description](#)
- [Educational Directories](#)
Historical directories of educational institutions and personnel.
Resource ID: 1325-003-147_8005
- [Insurance Evaluations](#)
Reports used to determine insurance coverage for public schools, with photos and data.
Resource ID: 1305-000-005 | [Collection description](#)
- [Legislative Papers \(1724–1913\)](#)
Records from Delaware's General Assembly highlighting early legislative history.
Resource ID: 1111-000-000 | [Collection description](#)

Additional Resources

- Check out our digital archive (documents, photographs, and audio) on [CONTENTdm](#).
- Visit our [Digital Archives webpage](#) for a list of our digitized collections.
- Search our online catalog for keywords of interest, the [Delaware Public Archives Portal](#).
- Review our [Lesson Plans](#) webpage for a list of available lesson plans.
- Visit and subscribe to our [YouTube channel](#) for videos from our collections and more.