## Aware, Ally, Advocate Patch Program Resources

## **Literary Resources**

**Kamala & Maya's Big Idea -**This is the uplifting tale of how the author's aunt and mother first learned to persevere in the face of disappointment and turned a dream into reality. This is a story of children's ability to make a difference and of a community coming together to transform their neighborhood.

https://www.amightygirl.com/kamala-and-maya-s-bigidea?utm\_source=giveawayemail&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=20210216&ts=20210 216

*I am Jazz* - I am Jazz book by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings is a book for young children about transgender. It tells the story of a child that was born with a girl's brain in a boy's body. This confused her family until they went to see a doctor who told them that Jazz was transgender and that she had been born that way.

https://www.amazon.com/I-Am-Jazz-Jessica-Herthel/dp/0803741073

## **Videos**

Jazz Jennings Anti Bullying PSA <u>https://www.tlc.com/tv-shows/give-a-little-</u> tlc/videos/bullying-psa-with-jazz-jennings

This clip shows Jazz speaking with middle school aged students about being bullied. There is mention of depression and suicidal thoughts. It shows brief, effective statistics of the power of peers standing up for others.

**Frieda** - When Frida Kahlo's mother was worn out from caring for her five sisters, her father gave Frida lessons in brushwork and color. When polio kept her bedridden for nine months, drawing saved her from boredom. When a bus accident left her in agony, her paintings expressed her pain and depression - and her joys and loves. https://shop.scholastic.com/teachers-ecommerce/teacher/books/frida-9780439678452.html

**Rules** - Twelve-year-old Catherine just wants a normal life. Which is near impossible when you have a brother with autism and a family that revolves around his disability. She's spent years trying to teach David the rules - from "a peach is not a funny-looking apple" to "keep your pants on in public" - in order to stop his embarrassing behaviors. But the summer Catherine meets Jason, a paraplegic boy, and Kristi, the next-door friend she's always wished for, it's her own shocking behavior that turns everything upside down and forces her to ask: What is... https://shop.scholastic.com/teachers-ecommerce/teacher/books/rules-9780439443838.html

**My Bother Charlie** – Callie is very proud of her brother Charlie. He's good at so many things - swimming, playing the piano, running fast. And Charlie has a special way with animals, especially their dog, Harriett.

But sometimes Charlie gets very quiet. His words get locked inside him, and he seems far away. Then, when Callie and Charlie start to play, Charlie is back to laughing, holding hands, having fun. Charlie is like any other boy – and he has autism. In this story, told from a sister's point of view, we meet a family whose oldest son teaches them important lessons about togetherness, hope, tolerance, and love.

https://shop.scholastic.com/teachers-ecommerce/teacher/books/my-brother-charlie-9780545382175.html *Intersection Allies: We Make Room for All-* IntersectionAllies isn't just a book. It's a mirror in which kids of all genders, races, sexualities, abilities, cultures, and origins can see their whole selves reflected, respected, and celebrated. In a world increasingly fractured by xenophobia, racism, ableism, homophobia and transphobia, and other forms of injustice, IntersectionAllies teaches the meaning of "community" to kids and parents alike, along with rhyming strategies to support and celebrate each other's differences.

https://www.amazon.com/IntersectionAllies-We-Make-Room-All/dp/1948340089/ref=sr\_1\_1?dchild=1&keywords=intersectionAllies%3A+We+Make+Room +for+All&qid=1592802567&s=books&sr=1-1

**All the Way to the Top** - This is the story of a little girl who just wanted to go, even when others tried to stop her. Jennifer Keelan was determined to make a change—even if she was just a kid. She never thought her wheelchair could slow her down, but the way the world around her was built made it hard to do even simple things.

<u>https://www.amazon.com/All-Way-Top-Disabilities-</u> Everything/dp/1492688975/ref=as\_li\_ss\_tl?keywords=All+the+Way+to+the+Top&qid=15814 78054&sr=8-1&linkCode=sl1&tag=melitaylonli-

20&linkId=b41721ab984ee05d1082d9e673ef04d5&language=en\_US

*The Proudest Blue – The Story of Hijab and Family -* With her new backpack and lightup shoes, Faizah knows the first day of school is going to be special. It's the start of a brand new year and, best of all, it's her older sister Asiya's first day of hijab--a hijab of beautiful blue fabric, like the ocean waving to the sky. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, and in the face of hurtful, confusing words, Faizah will find new ways to be strong.

*Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story* - Fry bread is history." In the extensive, informative back matter, Maillard (a member of the Seminole Nation, Mekusukey band) explains how fry bread became a part of many Native Americans' diet after the people were forced from their land and given limited rations by the United States government.

https://www.amazon.com/Fry-Bread-Native-American-Family/dp/1626727465/ref=pd bxgy img 2/143-3269621-9308365?pd rd w=YAfum&pf rd p=c64372fa-c41c-422e-990d-9e034f73989b&pf rd r=MEREEN57TGE88EK95JR9&pd rd r=42404bob-2132-4d5d-9414d4a0ce803ae0&pd rd wg=HFDfd&pd rd i=1626727465&psc=1

*Neurodiverse / Autism- elementary school age* - There are many ways to be "normal," and introducing children to the idea that there's not a one-size-fits-all definition of what it means to be human fosters empathy, understanding, and respect in and out of the classroom. This resource will point you to carefully selected titles in this book list feature characters who have neurological variances and differences such as autism, dyslexia, and ADHD. Use these titles to explore themes around neurodiversity and neurodivergence with students and to cultivate meaningful classroom discussion.

https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/teaching-tools/book-lists/neurodiversity-book-list.html

## **Religious Resources**

*World Religions for Kids*, -60 plus books about world religion for kids - *A* series on a group of articles packed with resources to help leaders and parents teach children about World Religions to promote compassion, empathy, cultural understanding, and tolerance. These books are a sample of the incredible list of 300+ multicultural books featured in <u>*The Global Education Toolkit for Elementary Learners*</u>, a new book with hundreds of easy activities, resources, and projects to help busy educators incorporate global and cultural awareness in their classroom. <u>*https://kidworldcitizen.org/books-world-religions-for-kids/*</u>

*What do you believe?* - What do you believe? Do you know why you believe what you do?*What Do You Believe?* introduces readers to the many religions of the world and its equally numerous philosophies, from global religions such as Christianity, Judaism, Islam, and Buddhism, to lesser-known faiths, and from ancient philosophers such as Socrates, Aristotle, and Plato, to modern thinkers such as Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Kant, and Sartre.

https://www.amazon.com/dp/0756672287/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_4BQT6S21K8GQV3P9Z QNN

*My Religion, Your Religion* - When David's friend invites him to a service at a Jewish synagogue, David feels nervous. David is a Christian, and he's only ever been to churches. But soon David discovers that learning about different religions is fun. How are religions similar? How are they different? What will David discover? A diverse cast gives multiple points of comparison.

https://www.amazon.com/dp/1467760331/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_JDEQBWGFT4P1MSM 80740?\_encoding=UTF8&psc=1

**The Kids Book of World Religions** -By gaining a greater understanding of the cultures and beliefs of people around the world, children build respect and tolerance for the differences that make each of us unique. With objectivity and accessibility, this title in the Kids Book of series looks at the histories, scriptures, places of worship, religious leaders, gods and major festivals that are the foundations of many of the world's religions.

https://www.amazon.com/dp/1554539811/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_BKX34VW1347CN630Z FDB? encoding=UTF8&psc=1

**The Way to Start a Day- About how different morning rituals** - Some people say there is a new sun every day, and that it begins its life at dawn and lives for one day only. They say you have to welcome it. From cavemen, to the Aztecs, to the ancient Egyptians, Baylor Bird describes the ways that people throughout history and the world celebrated the dawn. By the end you may be inspired to create your own song for the sunrise.

https://www.simonandschuster.com/books/The-Way-to-Start-a-Day/Byrd-Baylor/9780689710544

**Does My Head Look Big In This?** (For older girls) - When sixteen-year-old Amal decides to wear the hijab full-time, her entire world changes, all because of a piece of cloth. Sixteen-year-old Amal makes the decision to start wearing the hijab full-time and everyone has a reaction. Her parents, her teachers, her friends, people on the street. But she stands by her decision to embrace her faith and all that it is, even if it does make her a little different from everyone else.

https://www.amazon.com/dp/0439919479/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_G30KRYVA1FMGYDX GGRFZ

**Buddha at Bedtime** -Many of today's children face challenges and obstacles far beyond what their parents ever imagined. These 20 thoroughly modern retellings of ancient Buddhist tales give parents a fun, low-pressure way to impart wisdom and moral guidance without preaching. Each story highlights a moral or ethical dilemma that echoes those that children face in their own lives, providing insight and enlightenment that they can use to defuse trying situations. https://www.amazon.com/dp/1844836231/ref=cm\_sw\_em\_r\_mt\_dp\_VVGWQX3HVNVSYW\_TG8SZY