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# Empowered Insights

EMPOWERING THROUGH EDUCATION

We are so excited to share with you our new logo - a combination of a flame to honor the 6 million Jews and 5 million non-Jews who were murdered in the Holocaust, a book to represent the power of education, and an "M" to honor our namesake.



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## Journey For The Living 2024

Thank you to everyone who participated in [Journey For The Living](#) this May! We collectively walked, ran, and biked **6,582 miles** and raised **\$96,868** for Holocaust education! This money will go to fund educational grants at schools nationwide, connecting teachers with resources that curb today's rising tide of hate and discrimination. If you missed the Journey but would still like to support, click [here](#).

## Bracelets Supporting Holocaust Education

100% of the profits from genuine gemstone bracelets by Dee Berkley Jewelry benefit the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation.

These bracelets are a great option for any parent, graduate, or partner in your life. Don't forget Father's Day is this weekend, Give a gift that gives back!



# SPOTLIGHT

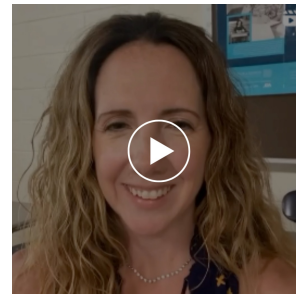


## Meet Our Teachers

Last month, we highlighted a few of the amazing teachers we supported with an MSHEF grant this past school year. Each of these teachers used their grant in a unique and engaging way to educate their students about the Holocaust.

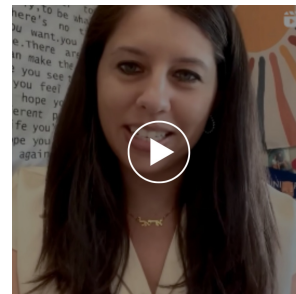
### Mrs. Mary Houghtaling

Mrs. Houghtaling of Kittatinny Regional High School in Newton, NJ used her MSHEF grant to create the country's first Holocaust and Genocide Research Center in a school. Due to her work, Mrs. Houghtaling was recognized as KRHS Teacher of the Year. She also received the State of NJ Exemplary Educator award and the 2023 Youth in Action for Human Rights award.



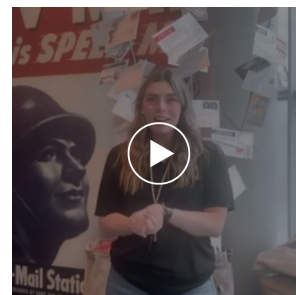
### Dr. Ariel Adrian

Dr. Adrian of Wantagh Middle School in Wantagh, NY used the MSHEF Grant to host a performance from The Anne Frank Center for the entire 8th grade class. Grant funds also purchased more than 50 books to complement and enrich her school's Holocaust education curriculum.



### Mrs. Richie

Mrs. Richie of New Iberia Senior High in New Iberia, LA used the MSHEF Grant to take 44 of her students on a field trip to the National WWII Museum in New Orleans, LA. The engaging exhibits imparted the full story of the Holocaust.



Thank you to all of our grant recipients for their dedicated commitment to Holocaust education! If you are a teacher, make sure to fill out our [Grant Application Information Form](#) to be notified when applications re-open in the fall!

# RESOURCES



**Museum of Jewish Heritage's  
Educator Antisemitism FAQ**

# Resource

Designed to give educators and students an understanding of historical and contemporary antisemitism, the FAQ includes a series of commonly asked questions, including the roots of antisemitism, why Jews were targeted during the Holocaust, and how to identify antisemitic tropes.



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# KINDNESS



## State Leader Honored for Furthering Holocaust Education

California State Superintendent Tony Thurmond was honored earlier this year by the California Legislative Jewish Caucus for his leadership in Holocaust and genocide education.



In January, Thurmond launched an oral history speaker series to share the personal perspectives of Holocaust survivors and their family members with students. He is also the co-chair of the Governor’s Council on Holocaust and Genocide Education.

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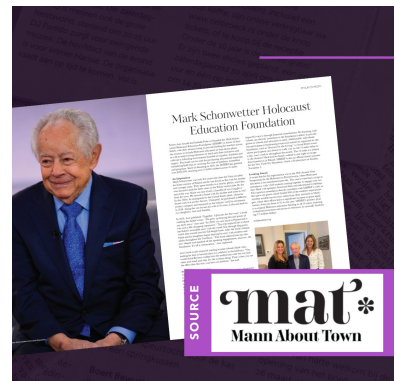
# IN THE NEWS



[New York Daily News](#) featured us on the May 9th edition of their newspaper.



[New York Post](#) covered Journey For The Living on the May 19th edition of their paper.



[Mann About Town](#) gave us a whole page feature on their June/July magazine.

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## Save the Date! MSHEF 3rd Annual Teacher Resources Webinar

Join the Mark Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation for an informational webinar. Learn about programs that are available for you to use in your classroom and how you can afford to bring them in.

**August 27, 2024 at 6:30 PM Eastern Time**  
**Open to teachers and educators.**

Register in advance! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**REGISTER  
TODAY**

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**Thank you for being a part of our community! We hope our monthly EmpowerED Insights has inspired you to empower your own community through education in honor of our mission to [#Educate2Remember](#).**



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