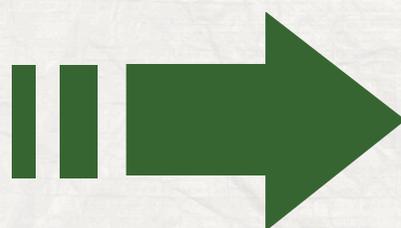
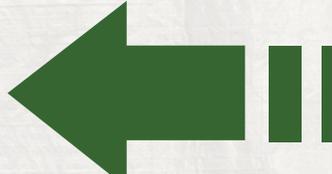


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WHAT IS BSA?



THE BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE, OR BSA, IS A STUDENT-LED CLUB AT MEDICINE HAT HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED TO CREATING A SPACE WHERE BLACK STUDENTS FEEL SEEN, SUPPORTED, AND CELEBRATED, WHILE ALSO PROMOTING INCLUSIVITY FOR ALL STUDENTS. OUR CLUB IS ROOTED IN BUILDING COMMUNITY, ENCOURAGING CONNECTION, AND FOSTERING A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF CULTURE AND IDENTITY WITHIN OUR SCHOOL THROUGH COMMUNITY, STUDENT LEADERSHIP, AND ACCEPTANCE OF ALL PEOPLE.

THE PURPOSE OF BSA IS TO UPLIFT AND REPRESENT BLACK VOICES WHILE CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE DIVERSITY IS GENUINELY VALUED. WE STRIVE TO BUILD A SENSE OF BELONGING, NOT JUST FOR BLACK STUDENTS, BUT FOR EVERYONE IN OUR SCHOOL. THROUGH EDUCATION, EVENTS, AND COMMUNITY-BUILDING, WE AIM TO BREAK DOWN BARRIERS AND BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER. THIS YEAR, I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF LEADING THE BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE ALONGSIDE AN INCREDIBLE GROUP OF STUDENTS WHO ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT BUILDING A MORE INCLUSIVE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

OUR IMPACT **ON MHHS**



BSA HAS MADE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT ON THE CULTURE OF MEDICINE HAT HIGH SCHOOL. WE'VE HELPED CREATE CONVERSATIONS AROUND DIVERSITY THAT WEREN'T HAPPENING BEFORE, AND WE'VE PROVIDED REPRESENTATION IN WAYS THAT STUDENTS HAVEN'T EXPERIENCED IN THE PAST. OUR PRESENCE HAS HELPED STUDENTS FEEL MORE CONFIDENT IN EXPRESSING THEIR IDENTITIES AND MORE OPEN TO LEARNING ABOUT OTHERS.

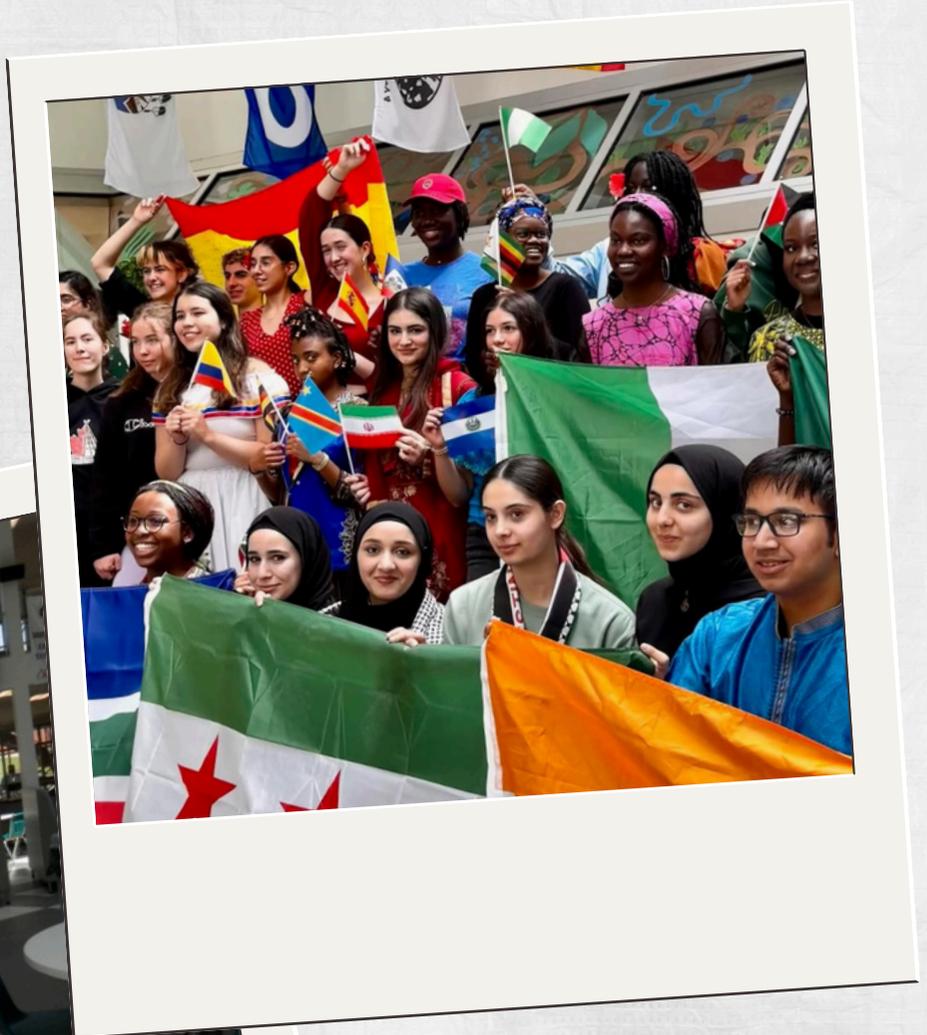
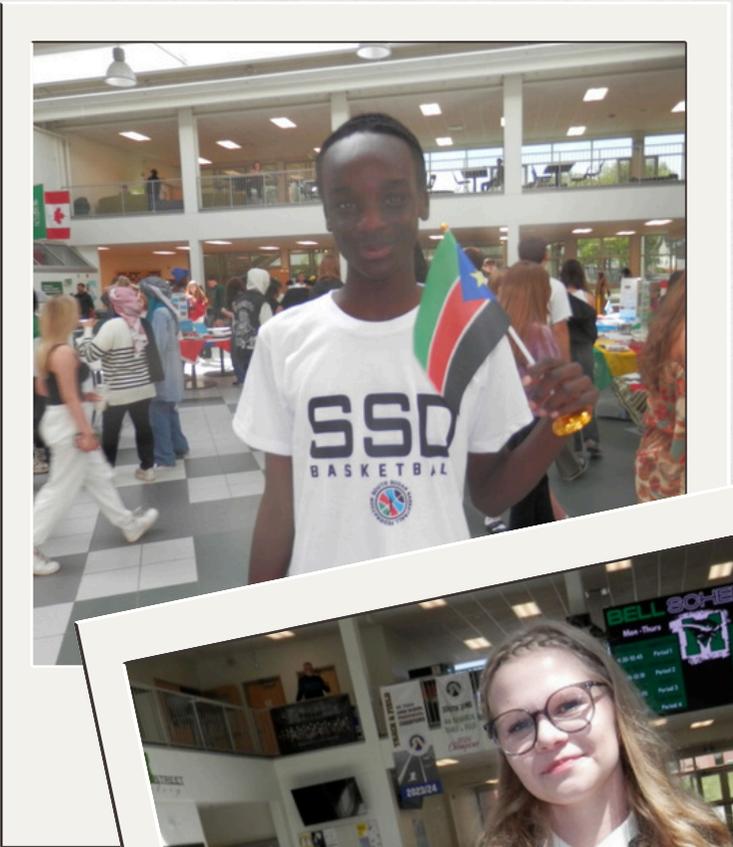
CULTURE FAIR - A KEY TRADITION



ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTS OF OUR CLUB IS THE CULTURE FAIR. THIS EVENT BRINGS TOGETHER STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS TO SHARE THEIR CULTURES THROUGH FOOD, MUSIC, TRADITIONS, AND PERSONAL STORIES. IT ALLOWS THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY TO EXPERIENCE AND APPRECIATE DIVERSITY IN A REAL AND ENGAGING WAY, MAKING INCLUSIVITY SOMETHING THAT STUDENTS CAN SEE AND FEEL.



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BLACK HISTORY MONTH & COMMUNITY IMPACT

This year, the Black Student Alliance led a full Spirit Week in honor of Black History Month, something that had never been done before at Medicine Hat High School. We created educational posters, organized themed days, and hosted events that highlighted Black history and culture, bringing a new level of awareness, representation, and celebration into our school. A staple for BHM has been powerful example was when Young Wok Chuck Yowendak spoke to students, sharing meaningful experiences that allowed students to connect with these topics on a more personal level. Our impact also extended beyond the school, as we connected with the broader community through visits to Saamis Immigration, trips to the University of Lethbridge, and an opportunity to attend an event at City Hall where we shared a meal with community leaders, and George Davidion to celebrate BHM. Altogether, these experiences show how BSA has grown from a student-led initiative into something that influences both our school and the wider community.



LOOKING FORWARD

The Black Student Alliance has grown into something that truly makes a difference. What started as a student-led initiative has become a space that supports, educates, and connects people. Moving forward, we hope to continue expanding our impact, creating more opportunities for representation, and ensuring that every student feels like they belong.



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