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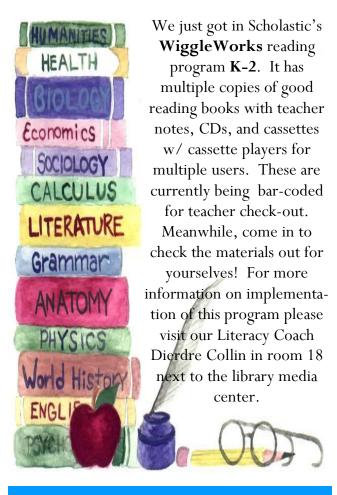
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TEACHING LABOR HISTORY

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire on March 25,1911 has its centennial this month. This fire changed the plight of labor in America forever. The men and women who built America's unions made workplace safety one of their first major fights, along with opposing child labor and the 60+ hour work week. Frances Perkins and her organization, the Consumers League of NY, helped lead the charge to change the city's sweatshops. She went on to become FDR's labor secretary, the first woman to serve in a Cabinet post.

Resources:

www.ilr.cornell.edu/triangle

To download text, images, audio and video related to the fire:

www.rememberthetrianglefire
.org

An overview of labor's contributions to America and includes info about the Triangle fire:

www.aft.org/yourwork/ tools4teachers/labor

HBO Documentary on the fire will be shown 3/21 @ 9, 3/25 @ 6:30.

American Experience on PBS has a documentary as well. Look for a rebroadcast.

Go to:

www.thirteen.org/edonline/ ntti/resources/lessons/ fireinthesky

Watch the video documentary free: www.pbs.org/wgbh/ americanexperience/ americanexperience/films/ triangle/player

DON'T FORGET EARTH DAY

APRIL 22



It's been 40 years since the Earth Day Network first began energizing citizens and heightening environmental awareness through annual events. Find a variety of resources and activities by visiting them at

www.earthday.org. There you'll find a free Educators' Network offering lesson plans, games, interactive quizzes and other classroom materials.

APRIL IS NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS SAFETY MONTH

This is an opportunity to address the problems of injuries in youth sports. There are downloadable materials to help you mark this event.

Visit www.nyssf.org for student tip sheets, ideas to promote student sports safety, get a "sport parent code of conduct" and more.



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