

Juneteenth

History

Juneteenth is an annual holiday commemorating the end of slavery in the U.S.

On January 1, 1863, Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, which declared that all enslaved people were free, but many people still remained enslaved, especially in Texas.

On June 19, 1865, over two years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation, Union Troops rode into Galveston, Texas to announce that the Civil War was over and all enslaved people were free.

The name "Juneteenth" is formed by combining "June" and "nineteenth".

Juneteenth is also known as Freedom Day, Jubilee Day, Emancipation Day and Liberation Day.

What do
the colors
represent?

For the blood that unites
all Black African ancestry
and shed for liberation

For the people of Black
African Ancestry

For the abundant natural
wealth of Africa

Potluck

Please join us!

Where:

Who:

All staff

Why:

To celebrate
Juneteenth

When:

Week of June 19th

What:

See food suggestions
and plans here