Atchison schools celebrate Black History (KAIR)--February is Black History Month, an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans, and the role they've played in American History.

The Atchison Public Schools of USD 409 has used the month as way to provide related information in the classroom.

According to a release from the school district, the Atchison Middle School commemorated the month- start by hosting a so-called Book Tasting for all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade classes.

According to the release, a Book Tasting involves students sampling multiple books and finding ones that suit their tastes.

The tasting featured 12 middle grade award winning black authors.

As an example of those works utilized in the exercise, the release notes that New Kid by Jerry Craft and The Door of No Return by Kwame Alexander were favorites of the students who took part in the Book Tasting.

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