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Subject: Daily Briefing February 11, 2019

Team,

We have some intense reading ahead. The veteran’s conversation will be a continuation of the theme of our most recent meeting. Please make notations as you read and prepare to discuss on Thursday March 14th.

As difficult as this story may be to read, it is an important look at the historical relationships some communities had with law enforcement.

[Why a Town Is Finally Honoring a Black Veteran Attacked by Its White Police Chief](#)

Violence against Black veterans was unfortunately a common occurrence for returning war veterans.

[Lynching in America: Targeting Black Veterans](#)

No one was more at risk of experiencing violence and targeted racial terror than black veterans who had proven their valor and courage as soldiers during the Civil War, World War I, and World War II. Because of their military service, black veterans were seen as a particular threat to Jim Crow and racial subordination. Thousands of black veterans were assaulted, threatened, abused, or lynched following military service.

Continuing the conversation related to military service, this is the perspective of a Captain.

[‘Sir, I Never Thought I’d See the Day I’d Be Working for a Colored Officer’](#)

Since this topic is remaining in the news cycle, this may be beneficial

[Why Won’t Blackface Go Away? It’s Part of America’s Troubled Cultural Legacy](#)

This blog post from the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture provides additional historical context

[Blackface: The Birth of An American Stereotype](#)

An Inclusion Team member suggested this as a group read.

[Student Voices: We need to talk about race in school, and we need to do it before college](#)

"Critical education about race and its role in our society shouldn't be an elective," writes Danielle Derrickson, a recent graduate of UW Tacoma.