**BOOKS**

*Mendez v. Westminster: School Desegregation and Mexican-American Rights*  
($17.95) by Philippa Strum  
Details the famous case with narratives, personality portraits, and case analyses. This is a good resource for the teacher in terms of the court case.  
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[www.kansaspress.ku.edu](http://www.kansaspress.ku.edu)

*Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family’s Fight for Desegregation*  
($11.98) by Duncan Tonatiuh  
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($6.99) by Winifred Conkling  
Tells the remarkable story of young Sylvia Mendez and Aki Munemitsu and how their lives intersect on a Southern California farm.  
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[www.randomhousekids.com](http://www.randomhousekids.com)
ON THE INTERNET

BEFORE BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION THERE WAS MENDEZ V. WESTMINSTER
http://blogs.loc.gov/law/2014/05/before-brown-v-board-of-education-there-was-mendez-v-westminster/
This online archive from The Library of Congress delves into this lesser-known case that was instrumental for the American civil rights movement and desegregation of public schools.

MENDEZ V. WESTMINSTER HISTORY
http://www.sylviamendezinthemendezwestminster.com
This website is about Sylvia Mendez, the daughter of Gonzalo and Felicitas Mendez. She tells their story as a dedicated speaker and champion of change.

THE LEGACY OF MENDEZ AND BROWN: A PROMISE TO FULFILL
http://www.idra.org/mendezbrown/index.html
This site asks the question of whether or not Mendez v. Westminster has fulfilled the promise of quality education for Latino students and offers suggestions on how to make good on the promise of equal education.

MENDEZ V. WESTMINSTER CASE
http://mendezwestminstercase.blogspot.com
A blog of useful resources on the 1947 desegregation case that contains a summary of the case, links, and photographs.

MENDEZ V. WESTMINSTER: FOR ALL THE CHILDREN/PARA TODO LOS NINOS
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQVblGpHBdU
A film by the Center for Puerto Rican Studies highlights Sylvia Mendez, one of the child plaintiffs in the Mendez v. Westminster case.

THE CIVIL RIGHTS PROJECT
https://www.civilrightsproject.ucla.edu
The mission of the Civil Rights Project/Proyecto Derechos Civiles is to help renew the civil rights movement, conducting research and providing resources.

KEY PEOPLE TO RESEARCH

Robert Lee Carter  
Thomas Estrada  
William Guzman  
Thurgood Marshall  
Gonzalo Mendez  
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