



Historic Black Leader

By Ja'nean Williams
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Frederick Douglass was born into slavery in February 1818 and was named Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey. He changed his last name to Douglass, after he escaped from slavery. I chose him as my historic role model for many reasons.

Frederick Douglass was a social reformer, abolitionist, orator, statesman, and a writer. He became one of the most important leaders of the African-American civil rights movement in the 19th century.

Frederick Douglass was once a slave who had inspired others slaves just like him to fight for freedom. He was married twice. He married his first wife Anna Murray Douglass in 1838. She was a member of the Underground Railroad. She died in 1882. He married his second wife Helen Pitts Douglass in 1884. He had five children Rosetta Douglass, Charles Remond

Douglass, Lewis Henry Douglass, Annie Douglass, and Frederick Douglass Jr. He also had three sisters named Harriet Bailey, kitty Bailey, and Arianna Bailey.

Fredrick Douglass escaped slavery in his twenties and made it to New York City in 1838. He was disguised as a sailor. Ever since he escaped, he did many great things for other slaves. He founded an anti-slavery newspaper called "The North Star." Its slogan was "Right is of no Sex— Truth is of no Color— God is the Father of us all, and all we are Brethren." From 1845 to 1855, he published three autobiographies - "The Life Of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave," "My Bondage and My Freedom" and the "Life and Times of Frederick Douglass."

He was the first African American to run for vice president of the United States in 1872 as Victoria Claflin Woodhull's running mate under the Equal Rights party.

Frederick Douglass died on February 20, 1895 at 77 years old.

I admire his courage, leadership, and his ability to stand up for what was right.

Follow the Leader - Crunch time!

By Isis Akinseye Johnson
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I interviewed Mr. Smith, the gym teacher.

As a child, he liked to play sports such as running cross country track, and playing baseball, basketball and soccer. This led to him choosing a career

as a gym teacher.

"Everybody needs a body to do things, so it should at least be a healthy one," Mr. Smith said. "When I was younger, I did not really like school. I want kids to enjoy going to school."

After learning that Hazel Park was hiring, he decided to apply. He has now worked for the district seven years and has been teaching for 10 years.

His favorite day of the week is Saturday.

He would like to travel the world and visit Australia.

One of his hidden talents is juggling. "He is a very chill guy and gets angry little to none. He never yells at anyone and is always very lenient," Bailey Flaherty said.

Mr. Smith plans to keep teaching five years from now.

I think he's a good teacher. Thank you for everything you do at this school and keeping us physically fit.



History of a Teacher

By Bailey Flaherty and
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We recently interviewed the 8th grade social studies teacher Mr. Johnston. We asked him a total of 17 questions. We asked him things like, "Where did you go to school?" and "What time period was your favorite?" With that being said, this is how the interview went.

We learned that he had grown up in Farmington, MI. He earned his Bachelor's degree at Central Michigan University. He then went to Wayne State University for his Master's degree. Both his degrees are in education.

He stated that his reason for teaching social studies is, "because I enjoy history and teaching others about it."



Now throughout his 24 years of teaching social studies, he has found out that he has no favorite historian.

He said, "Historians are only people that retell history, meaning I can't really have a favorite or least favorite."

But if he had to choose, he would chose himself.

Over time, he has figured out that he truly does not have a least favorite lesson that he teaches. He personally believes that they are all great. Although he does say that his favorite is the Lewis and Clark lesson.

We also learned that he has only taught in Hazel park due to feeling like he only belongs in Hazel Park.

He enjoys music such as Limp Bizkit, Green Day, and Nirvana.

We also found that his favorite time period of the world is the American revolution era. His least favorite era is the ancient time period. He feels the biggest mistake America has ever made was slavery. He then followed it up by saying that, "the greatest achievement America has made was helping other countries in times of crisis."

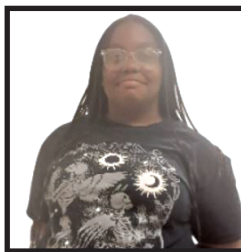
He feels that we (the U.S) has the best economy.

"The Civil war was the worst," he said.

In conclusion we learned about how Mr. Johnston sees things and his opinions. With that being said, this was the History Of A Teacher.

My historic role model

By Jordyn Tubbs
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A historic model I admire is Ruby Bridges. I look up to her eternal dedication for education and her desire to learn with the same privilege as people who used to be viewed

as "superior" to her.

She has many great quotes, but one that I admire is when she said, "We may not all be equally guilty. But we are all equally responsible for building a decent and just society."

I personally find this quote very inspiring and relatable. I do think that she is right in this statement because despite all the problems we face, we should come together and create a better future for us as a whole.

Amongst her many quotes another one that I express admiration for is when she

said, "A lot of my strength comes from my upbringing."

Knowing that she was only 6-years-old when walked into an all white-school, she was extremely brave at that age to do what she did. That would also mean that she must be remarkably strong now, if she went through all of that in her past.

Throughout all her numerous quotes I saw one that I resonate with is, "We all have a common enemy, and it is evil."

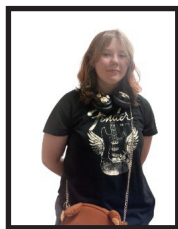
Her explanation of the evil I'm our world makes a lot of sense to me. I feel like of all human society our true enemy is pure evil. I hope that we can move forward and past the burden that this brings this country down.

The last quote that I found was, "Kids come into the world with clean hearts, fresh starts."

I resonate with this quote because it is true that these cruel and unfair beliefs that bring our society down in a hateful way are taught to kids. Children come into the world not knowing about things that separate us as a whole, they have to learn things like this as they grow up.

Courageous Inspiration

By Bailey Flaherty
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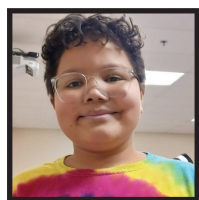
A historical person I admire is Ruby Bridges.

On November 14, 1960, she was 6 years old and was the only African American girl enrolled in William Franz Elementary School, an all-white school, in New Orleans during a very racist time.

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William Shakespeare

By Kave Oliveira
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One historical person I admire is William Shakespeare.

He was an English playwright, poet and actor. He wrote some

39 plays, 3 poems, and 154 sonnets.

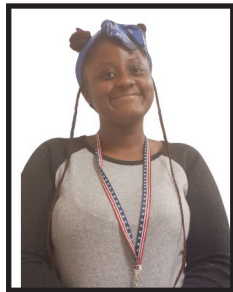
I believe that I think like him. We're both analytical.

Today, most people don't talk about him. I admire everything he contributed to us.

I understand him a lot. Most people don't understand him.

Rosa Parks

By Paris Green-Johnson
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Rosa Parks was born February 4, 1913. At the time, Parks led the youth division at the Montgomery branch of NAACP. She said her anger over the lynching of 14-year-old Emmett Till and failure to bring his

killers to justice inspired her to make her historic stand.

On Thursday, December 1, 1955, the 42-year-old Rosa Parks was commuting home from a long day of work at the Montgomery Fair department store by bus. Black residents of Montgomery often avoided municipal buses

if possible because they found the Negroes-in-back policy so demeaning. Nonetheless, 70 percent or more riders on a typical day were Black. On this day, Rosa Parks was one of them.



"People always say that I didn't give up my seat because I was tired," Parks wrote in her autobiography, "But that isn't true. I was not tired physically... No, the only tired I was, was tired of giving in."

Eventually the Police stopped bus, assessed the situation and placed Parks in custody.

Rosa Parks helped initiate the Civil Rights Movement in the United States when she refused to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Alabama bus in 1955. Her actions inspired the leaders of the local Black community to organize the Montgomery Bus Boycott. Led by a young Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the boycott lasted more

than a year during which Parks not coincidentally lost her job. It ended only when the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that bus segregation was unconstitutional.

Over the next half-century, Parks became a nationally recognized symbol of dignity and strength in the struggle to end entrenched racial segregation.

Rosa Parks died on October 24, 2005 at 92 years old.