





Who inspires you?

The world is filled with amazing people who inspire by leading, creating, and doing.

Choose one of the listed African American heroes who inspires YOU (see back of this page). Research the person. Use the information you discover to write an essay that explains:

**Due to your teacher** by Thursday, **February 16, 2023** 

Why this person is important to history How this person inspires YOU

All entries should include...

- On the back of each page:
- Student's first and last names
  - teacher's name
    - school site
    - o grade level
- •Format 200 to 400 word limit, 12-pt, Times New Roman font, double spaced, number each page (bottom center)
  - Original work, free of spelling and grammar errors



PRIZES 3rd Place \$25
2nd Place \$50
1st Place \$100

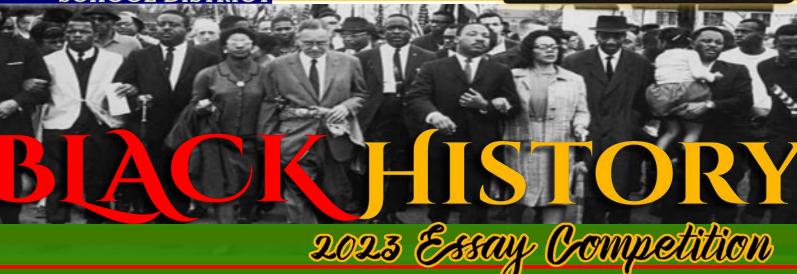
WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

All 4th through 6th grade students within the Robla School **District** 

Find out more about the Essay Contest from your teacher!







## **ROBLA Historical Figures**

- 1) Shirley Chisholm United States Representative 2) Jesse Owens - Track and Field Athlete
- 3) Claudette Colvin Civil and Political Rights Pioneer
- 4) Annie Lee Cooper Civil Activist Selma Voting Rights
  - 5) Albert Murray Essayist and Social Critic
- 6) Althea Gibson Professional International Tennis Player
  - 7) Ella Josephine Baker Civil Rights Organizer
  - 8) Bessie Coleman Pilot | American Civil Aviator
    - 9) Robert Sengstacke Abbott Lawyer10) Gordon Parks Photojournalist
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    - 11) Minnie Riperton Singer and Songwriter12) Ruby Bridges Civil Rights Activist
    - 13) Karen Bass United States Representative
      - 14) Katherine Johnson NASA Researcher
- 15) Daisy Gatson Bates Publisher, Journalist and Activist
  - 16) Alvin Ailey Acclaimed Dancer and Choreographer
    17) Jane Bolin Judge
  - 18) Benjamin O. Davis Sr. United States Army General
    - 19) Dr. Rebecca Lee Crumpler Physician
    - 20) George Washington Carver Inventor
    - 21) Chet P. Hewitt CEO, Sierra Health Foundation
    - 22) Emmett Till Center of Civil Rights Movement
      - 23) Amanda Gorman Change Maker | Poet
      - 24) Chadwick Boseman Actor and Playwright