



Glendening Elementary School

- 5th Grade – We are highlighting Black historical figures each day and they will be completing a research project about some of those figures in social studies class. We also have several students that entered the Black History Month rap contest through Flocabulary.
- 4th Grade – We have some displays in classrooms of famous Black Americans. We have done some comparisons between Bessie Coleman and Amelia Earhart and several different readings from Reading A-Z about famous Black Americans. We are researching Harriet Tubman and the underground railroad. We also have a few interactive books students are reviewing, about Frederick Douglass and Harriet Tubman.
- 3rd Grade - We have a different read-a-loud daily and class discussions about famous Black Americans and civil rights leaders. Some of the books are *Hidden Figures*, *If you Traveled on the Underground Railroad*, *Henry's Freedom Box*, *Freedom Summer*, *Grandmamas Pride*, *Following the Drinking Gourd*, *Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt*, and *Almost to Freedom*. We are also researching many of the civil rights activists, Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, Ruby Bridges, Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, George Washington Carver, Booker T. Washington, and Jackie Robinson. Much of this research will be part of class discussions, writing prompts, and essays.
- 2nd grade - We have done book studies on the following books: *The Youngest Marcher*, *Hidden Figures*, *Little Leaders*, and *More than Anything Else*. We are doing a large unit on Abraham Lincoln and other civil rights leaders of his time. We are also focusing on book by Jacqueline Woodson that deals with character traits and Black characters.
- 1st grade – We are doing daily read alouds, and small group guided reading passages about famous Black Americans. We are doing some quick writing responses about some of the readings. We are also going to have all the students create a slideshow about a famous Black American. Finally, because the Olympics are going on, we are also researching some famous Black Olympians.
- Kindergarten - We are doing daily read alouds about the following famous Black Americans, Rosa Parks, Ruby Bridges, Martin Luther King Jr., George Washington Carver, Elijah McCoy. We are also in the process of finding some articles, stories, and books about current Black Americans and how they are impacting our world today.
- Art & Music – We are researching and learning about Scott Joplin and Louis Armstrong. Some of the grade levels will be learning a song that goes with Amanda Gorman's book, *Change Sings*. We are also learning about Alma Thomas a female Black artist.
- Special Education Units – Our class will be doing read alouds about Rosa Parks, Ruby Bridges and Martin Luther King Jr. (which we started in January). We also will be watching *Brain Pop Jr.*, video and informational videos on You Tube regarding these important people in our history.