

"WOMEN PROVIDING HEALING, PROMOTING HOPE"

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 2022



# What is Women's History Month?

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987. Women's History **Month 2022 is Celebrated** Tuesday, March 1-Thursday, March 31, 2022.

### "WOMEN PROVIDING HEALING, PROMOTING HOPE"

THE 2022 NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY THEME is both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history.



From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indian families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.

President Jimmy Carter's Message designating March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week

# STUDENT READING CHALLENGE

Please read and view the videos in the presentation over the next three weeks (click on photo to play). Try viewing 3 slides a day. We also invite you to visit the media center to read about more women who have been impactful around the world.

# WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH READING CHALLENGE

Take Note



### Check your email

Check your email for Women's History Presentation from Mrs. Johnson.



#### Submit Forms

Participants must submit their forms with answers by March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Participants will have 24 hours to submit form.



#### Watch the Presentation

Read through the information and click on the images to view videos. Write down key information/points about each woman discussed in the presentation.



### Gift Card Drawing

All forms with the correct answers will be placed in a drawing for a Gift Card



#### Due Date

Check your email on March 29, 2022 to access the form and answer questions about Women in History. Submit responses by March 30, 2022.



### Announcement of Winner

Student winner will be announced on March 31, 2022 and awarded with a Gift Card!





SHAQUANDA J. ROBERTS, Poet and Author

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Shaquanda J. Roberts is a Poet and Author who writes inspirational stories, realistic fiction, romance & poetry. She is also a skilled digital copywriter, editor, and content creator. Mrs. Roberts is a Migrant Tutor here in the BCSD.!

Currently earning a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from Full Sail University. Her graduation date is March 4, 2022.





KAMALA HARRIS, First Female Vice President of USA

# KAMALA HARRIS

The Vice President of the United States of America.

She was elected Vice President after a lifetime of public service, having been elected District Attorney of San Francisco, California Attorney General, and United States Senator.

- Vice President Harris was born in Oakland, California to parents who emigrated from India and Jamaica.
- She graduated from Howard University and the University of California, Hastings College of Law.



### **ELENA KAGAN**

# Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States

The first female Solicitor General of the United States and now an associate justice on the U.S. Supreme Court, Elena Kagan is a prominent legal scholar and jurist who has advocated for justice and equality since childhood.

# Prominent Legal Scholar and Jurist

Kagan, a top student at her Hebrew school, she strongly desired to mark her coming of age with a bat mitzvah when she was 12 years old.

- After graduating in 1977, Kagan attended Princeton University. She studied history and served as the editorial chair of *The Daily* Princetonian, the campus newspaper. Kagan graduated summa cum laude in 1981 and earned a fellowship from Princeton to study philosophy at Worcester College (part of Oxford University) in England. She received her M.Phil degree in 1983.
- After her studies at Oxford, Kagan began law school at Harvard. She served as the supervising editor of the *Harvard Law Review* and graduated magna cum laude in 1986.





Justice in U.S. history

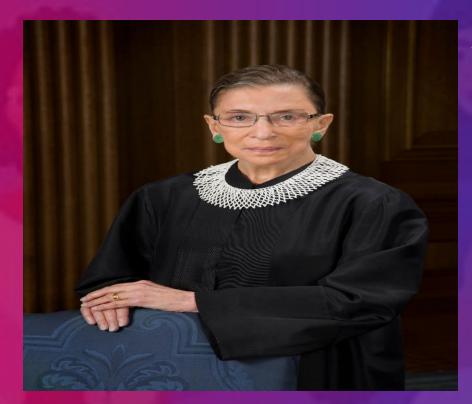
## **SONIA SOTOMAYOR**

Nominated by President Barack Obama on May 26, 2009, Sonia Sotomayor became the first Latina Supreme Court Justice in U.S. History

Sonia Sotomayor became a U.S. District Court Judge in 1992 and was elevated to the U.S. Second Circuit Court of Appeals in 1998. In 2009, she was confirmed as the first Latina Supreme Court justice in U.S. history.

- Federal judge Sotomayor was born as the elder of two children in the South Bronx area of New York City, on June 25, 1954.
- Parents Juan and Celina Baez Sotomayor, who were of Puerto Rican descent, moved to New York City to raise their children.
- Sotomayor's family functioned on a very modest income – her mother was a nurse at a methadone clinic, and her father was a tooland-die worker.





RUTH BADER GINSBURG, Second Woman--and First Jewish Woman--to serve on the Supreme Court.

# **RUTH BADER GINSBURG**

Affectionately called "R.B.G." by her supporters...

Ruth Bader Ginsburg has inspired generations of women to break gender barriers. Even after facing gender discrimination as she pursued her academic goals, Ginsburg forged ahead.

During her tenure as a justice, Ginsburg has fiercely advocated for gender equality and women's rights. Ginsburg subsequently worked with President Barack Obama in 2009 on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to combat pay disparities.





MICHELLE OBAMA, First Lady of the United States 2009-2017

### MICHELLE OBAMA

As first lady, Michelle Obama focused her attention on social issues such as poverty, healthy living and education.

Michelle Obama is a lawyer, writer and the wife of former U.S. President Barack Obama, Prior to her role as first lady, she was a lawyer, Chicago city administrator and community-outreach worker.

2018 memoir, Becoming, discusses the experiences that shaped her, from her childhood in Chicago to her years living in the White House.

Following in her older brother's footsteps, Michelle Obama attended Princeton University, graduating cum laude in 1985 with a B.A. in Sociology. She went on to study law at Harvard Law School, where she took part in demonstrations calling for the enrollment and hiring of more minority students and professors. She was awarded her J.D. in 1988.





MALALA YOUSAFZAI,
Advocate for The Rights of
Women and Girls

## **MALALA YOUSAFZAI**

By age seventeen, Yousafzai became the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for her work.

On her sixteenth birthday, Yousafzai spoke at the United Nations in New York. That same year she published her autobiography entitled, "I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban." She was awarded the Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought by the European Parliament for her activism.

At age eleven, Malala Yousafzai was already advocating for the rights of women and girls.

Malala and her father began speaking out on behalf of girls' education in the media. They campaigned for Pakistani girls' access to a free quality education. By 2011, Yousafzai was nominated for the International Children's Peace Prize. Although she did not win, that same year she earned Pakistan's National Youth Peace Prize. Yousafzai became a household name and this also made her a target.





AMANDA GORMAN, American Poet and Activist

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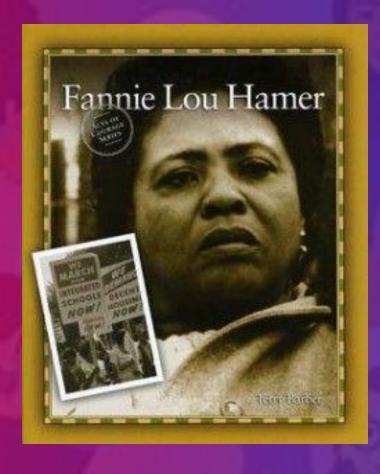
In early 2021, Amanda was selected by president elect Joe Biden to read her original poem, "The Hill We Climb" at his inauguration.

In 2014 Gorman was named the first Youth Poet Laureate of Los Angeles, and in 2017 was named the first US National Youth Poet Laureate. She has performed at many prominent venues, including the Obama White House, the Library of Congress, Lincoln Center, and on CBS This Morning. She has received a Genius Grant from OZY Media, as well as recognition from Scholastic Inc., YoungArts, the *Glamour* magazine College Women of the Year Awards, and the Webby Awards

Gorman is the founder of a non-profit organization called One Pen One Page, which runs a youth writing and leadership program.

She has written for the New York
Times newsletter The Edit and penned the manifesto for Nike's 2020 Black History
Month campaign. Gorman is the recipient of the Poets & Writers Barnes & Noble Writers for Writers Award, and is the youngest board member of 826 National, the largest youth writing network in the United States. She has two books forthcoming from Penguin Random House.





FANNIE LOU HAMER

## **FANNIE LOU HAMER**

Because Hamer was the only worker who could read and write, she also served as plantation timekeeper.

She grew up in poverty, and at age six Hamer joined her family picking cotton. By age 12, she left school to work. In 1944, she married Perry Hamer and the couple toiled on the Mississippi plantation owned by B.D. Marlowe until 1962.

# Hamer helped organize Freedom Summer.

In 1961, Hamer received a hysterectomy by a white doctor without her consent while undergoing surgery to remove a uterine tumor. Such forced sterilization of Black women, as a way to reduce the Black population, was so widespread it was dubbed a "Mississippi appendectomy."

- By 1968, Hamer's vision for racial parity in delegations had become a reality and Hamer was a member of Mississippi's first integrated delegation.
- In 1964 Hamer helped organize Freedom Summer, which brought hundreds of college students, Black and white, to help with African American voter registration in the segregated South

WOMEN'S HISTORY CHALLENGE



# KIZZMEKIA CORBETT

Kizzmekia S. Corbett, Ph.D., is a scientist who is destined for history books.

Corbett is not only a renowned immunologist, but a powerful voice bringing awareness to racial health disparities and encouraging trust in science. During an exceptionally difficult period in our history, Corbett is a beacon of hope and an inspiration for scientists to come.

A week after her lab produced mRNA-1273, Kizzmekia Corbett turned 34.

Within a year, two sitting presidents would drop by her lab for briefings. Her top boss at NIAID, Anthony Fauci, would call her a "rising star." Like mRNA-1273 itself, Corbett seemed to emerge overnight, but both the scientist and the science behind messenger RNA vaccines were a long time coming. Before being thrust into the spotlight by the COVID-19 pandemic, Corbett was little known outside the world of viral immunology. A senior research fellow in NIAID's vaccine development unit, Corbett focused on viral diseases including dengue, respiratory syncytial virus, and recent coronaviruses such as MERS. These early research efforts were pivotal to the speed with which the COVID-19 vaccine was developed.

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