THEME:
“Hidden Figures: Local Heroes In My Community”
Write an essay about one African American person you consider a local hero, and explain why. This individual may be a community member, friend or family member.

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RULES:
- The contest is open to students in 4th - 12th grades.
- Essays must be original, 300 - 500 words, typed, double-spaced, on white paper and in the contestant’s own words.
- No photos or illustrations allowed with the essay.
- Student’s name and grade level must appear at the top of each page.
- All entries MUST be accompanied by an original entry form.
- All participants MUST have a Public Library card by February 16.

DEADLINE: Friday, February 16, 2018, AT 5 p.m.
All essays must be delivered to the North Miami Public Library
835 NE 132 Street, North Miami, FL 33161

All contestants will receive awards!
Winners will be announced and must be present at the Black history month essay contest announcement on Thursday, February 22, 2018, 6 p.m. at the North Miami Public Library.

ESSAY AWARD CATEGORIES
Elementary School Contestants
First Place - $100
Second Place - $75
Third Place-$50

Middle School Contestants
First Place - $100
Second Place - $75
Third Place-$50

High School Contestants
First Place - $100
Second Place - $75
Third Place-$50
All participants will be awarded and winners must be present at the North Miami Public Library’s Black History Month Essay Contest Awards Presentation on Thursday, February 22, 2018, at 6 p.m. at the North Miami Public Library, 835 NE 132nd Street, North Miami, FL 33161.

Printed Name: ___________________________________________________________    Grade: ___________
Title of Entry: __________________________________    Age: _______
Home Address: __________________________________   City: _________________   Zip Code: ___________
Parents Name: ___________________________     Parent’s Daytime Phone Number: _____________________
Parent’s Email Address: ___________________________     Additional Phone Number: ___________________
Name of School: ______________________________________________________________________

Parental Release and Understanding
I, the undersigned, am the legal parent/guardian of _____________________. I gave the sponsors of the North Miami Public Libraries 2018 Black History Month Essay Contest permission to use the entry, photographs, video and/or likeness of my child in connection with advertising, promotions, publicity or news coverage of this event/competition. In doing so, I understand this information will be open to the public view. Additionally, this is my child’s original work; and I fully understand the rules of this contest and have reviewed them with my child.

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Printed Name of Parent     Signature of Parent    Date

Library Use Only
Public Library Card: Yes ____  No _____
Name/Branch of Library __________  Verified By __________

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