

ALABAMA HUMANITIES ALLIANCE

Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarships

Recent recipients: 2015-2023

Congratulations to all past recipients of our Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarships! These competitive scholarships – funded through AHA's W. Edgar Welden Fund for Education – are open to all Alabama K-8 educators to help them more effectively and creatively teach history and civics in their schools and classrooms.

2023 Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarship recipients:

- Lexia Banks, Magic City Acceptance Center, Birmingham
- Abby Crews, Mulkey Elementary School, Geneva
- Willie Davis III, Charles F. Hard Elementary, Bessemer

2022 Riley Scholars:

- Willie Davis III, Charles F. Hard Elementary, Jefferson County
- Melissa Moates, Barton Academy for Advanced World Studies, Mobile County
- Sharon Neal, Prince of Peace Catholic, Jefferson County
- Adriana Shirley, Blossomwood Elementary School, Madison County

2021 Riley Scholars:

- Alexandria Cunningham, University Charter School, Sumter County
- Lisa A. Hargett, Hayden Elementary School, Blount County
- Leslie Lawhorn, Madison County Elementary School
- Laura Powell, Bluff Park Elementary School

2020 Riley Scholars:

- Kayla Amerson, Florence B. Mathis Elementary School, Baldwin County
- Maria Gilleland, West Forest Intermediate School, Lee County



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- Cindy Chaney, Millbrook Middle School, Elmore County
- Melissa Motes, Causey Middle School, Mobile County
- Jahmarkus Rabb, Council Traditional School, Mobile County
- Kimberly Deem, Blossomwood Elementary School, Madison County
- Brittany Williams & Alexandria Cunningham, University Charter School, Sumter County

2019 Riley Scholars:

- Amber Broadhead, Thompson Intermediate School, Shelby County
- Kim Hinds, Deer Valley Elementary School, Hoover City School System
- Victoria Adams, Red Level Elementary School, Covington County Schools
- Deborah Southall, F.S. Ervin Elementary School, Wilcox County
- Misty Turner, Westwood Elementary School, Tuscaloosa County School

2018 Riley Scholars:

- Janet Leffard, Olive J. Dodge Elementary School, Mobile
- Tammy Brown, Central School, Huntsville
- Jana Hadley and Wendy Turner, White Plains Elementary School, Anniston
- Karen Grimes, Salem Elementary, Orrville

2017 Riley Scholars:

- Carly Nelson, Demopolis Middle School, Demopolis
- Tiffany Rushing, Knight Enloe Elementary, Roanoke
- Della White, Chickasaw High School, Chickasaw
- Lisa Williams, Brownwood Elementary School, Scottsboro



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2016 Riley Scholars:

- Lisa Compher, Central Elementary, Rockford
- Yvonne Hare, North Highland Elementary, Bessemer
- Kim Hinds, Deer Valley Elementary, Hoover
- Lori Nelson, Chaffee Elementary, Huntsville
- Harrow Strickland, Pick Elementary, Auburn

2015 Riley Scholars:

- Katie Tiner, Handley Middle School, Roanoke
- Hannah McEwan, Leeds Elementary, Leeds
- Katie Poole, U.S. Jones Elementary, Demopolis
- Stacey Williams, Wetumpka Elementary, Wetumpka

