

The Wisdom of a 13-Year-Old Girl

8813 South Buffalo Avenue
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Dear Sir:

I'm a fan of yours. I believe also that people have their own minds they should be responsible for their actions regardless of their color. People's color has nothing to do with their behavior, I'm sure. "To excuse their misbehavior because of their race is the worst form of discrimination," as you said yourself.

I'm thirteen years old. I go to the best school there is in the world. We have the best teachers, the best principle a school could have. Some children don't realize it but I do.

Most people haven't heard of J. N. Thorp School. We are taught to obey at Thorp. I'm proud of my school.

I'm so happy to know you, and to know you feel the way you do about the Alaskan people. You understand your people and it is nice that you speak up for them. Everybody should read your paper then maybe they would stop this bickering over stupid things as race.

I have enclosed twenty cents. I would like to have a Tundra Times. (Bless you) Mr. Howard Rock.

Yours truly,
Dorothy Jean Washington

P.S. I'm a Negro. Thank you.