

Destined for **GREATNESS**

GIRLS SUMMIT

Frederick Douglass HS
September 21, 2024
8:00 am – 3:00 pm



IGNITING POTENTIAL & INSPIRING GREATNESS

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Welcome to the 2024 Destined for Greatness Summit for Middle School Girls!

It is my honor to extend a warm and heartfelt welcome to each of you as you embark on an exciting journey of discovery and empowerment otherwise known as the “Destined for Greatness” Girls’ Summit!

You had a choice this morning about where to spend your Saturday and we are thrilled that you chose to invest in yourself by attending our inaugural event. Today is an opportunity for you to unlock your potential, celebrate your unique qualities, and start dreaming big about your future.

Your presence here signifies a pivotal moment in your journey. You stand at the threshold of your future, and this summit is designed to inspire, challenge, and empower you to reach for your dreams with confidence.

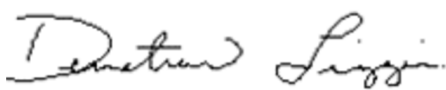
Through a blend of interactive workshops, empowering discussions, and inspirational speakers, we want to help you see just how amazing you are and boost your confidence, resilience, and leadership skills.

This summit is designed especially for middle school students like you. It is a space where you can explore what makes you special, embrace your individuality, and learn how to shine in your own way. We believe that every one of you is destined for greatness, and our mission is to support you as you discover and harness that potential.

Remember that every great achievement starts with the belief that you can.

As you dive into the activities and conversations, I encourage everyone to engage with an open mind and a fearless heart. Share your stories, ask questions, and prepare to inspire and be inspired. The skills and insights you gain here will pave the way for future successes and achievements and help you navigate the path ahead with confidence and enthusiasm.

We are so excited to see you grow, learn, and dream during this summit. Thank you for being a part of this incredible experience designed to show you that with determination and support, anything is possible!



Demetrus Liggins, PhD

Fayette County Public Schools Superintendent





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– VICE PRESIDENT
KAMALA HARRIS

SCHEDULE

8:00 - 8:45 a.m.
Check-In/Breakfast

8:45 - 9:35 a.m.
Welcome/Keynote

9:40 - 10:25 a.m.
Session I

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
Session II

11:20 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.
Session III

12:05 - 12:35 p.m.
Lunch

12:40 - 1:25 p.m.
Career Session

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Move & Grove

2:30 - 3:00 p.m.
Wrap Up

3:00 p.m.
Dismissal

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

JUDGE MELISSA MURPHY

Kentucky 22nd District Court 4th Division

Melissa Moore Murphy attended the University of Kentucky and received her undergraduate degree in History and Political Science in the Honors Program with a Minor in Vocal Music Performance in 1998 and her Juris Doctor from UK in 2001.



Melissa was appointed to the 4th Division Fayette District Court seat by Governor Andy Beshear in April of 2020 and was elected and re-elected in November 2020 and November 2022. She is the co-chair of the Department of Juvenile Justice Detention Alternative Committee and serves on the Kentucky Mental Health Commission and the Juvenile Justice Advisory Board. She, along with Judge Lindsay Thurston created the first Juvenile Treatment Court.

Her community service includes being on the Board of Directors for the CHI St. Joseph Health Board; a member of the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence and 2 terms as the Chairwoman of the Statewide Child Fatality and Near Fatality External Review Board. She is a member of the Central Kentucky Chapter of Jack and Jill and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

She was inducted into her high school Hall of Fame in 2006, has been named the 2021 Women's Lawyer of the year by the Fayette County Bar Association and the 2022 Legal Professional of the Year by the UK College of Law Women's Law Caucus.

She lives in Lexington with her husband Danny P Murphy, children Terrance, Makari, and Micah, and her grandson Trenton.

MORNING SESSIONS

TWEEN GIRL DRAMA

DR. CYNAE ADAMS, DR. WHITNEY HANLEY, DONTRYESE GREER

By the end of the session, participants will leave with newfound confidence, enhanced communication skills, and a deeper understanding of themselves and others. Join us for an empowering journey of self-discovery and growth through drama!

LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE

ELIZABETH EPPERSON, TAMARA JONES, YOLANDA STONER

By the end of the session, participants will leave with a deeper understanding of their mental health needs, practical skills to prioritize self-care, and a supportive network of peers and mentors. Join us in empowering tween girls to cultivate their inner glow and thrive in mind, body, and spirit!

DIGITAL DIVAS

DR. SHERICKA SMITH, RACHEL BARCUS, VENITA BURNETT

By the end of the session, participants will leave equipped with essential skills, knowledge, and confidence to navigate social media mindfully, cultivate a positive self-image, and leave a positive digital footprint. Join us in empowering tween girls to thrive in the digital age as confident, resilient, and authentic Digital Divas!

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

GIRLS IN HEALTHCARE: EXPLORING YOUR FUTURE

DR. WENDY JACKSON, TONI WALKER

Introduce participants to a wide range of healthcare career options and provide them with the opportunity to engage with professionals working in these fields.

GIRLS IN STEM: DISCOVERING YOUR FUTURE!

ROSALYNN KING, CHOPRA SMITH,
MARY KATHYRN STARKEY, JOVONDA WILLIAMS

Aims to empower tween girls by introducing them to exciting opportunities in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) fields.

STAY IN THE GAME

PASSION RICHARDSON, SERENA SANDUSKY

Celebrate the achievements of women in sports, gain insights into their diverse career paths, and discover the lessons of grit, determination, and teamwork that have propelled them to success.

TWEENPRENEURS

KEVA BUCKLER, HAIVAN STROMAN

Ignite the spark of entrepreneurship and empower tween girls to become the next generation of changemakers and innovators.

EMPOWERING GIRLS: EXPLORING CAREERS IN POLITICS & THE POWER OF THEIR VOICES

DENISE GRAY, SHAYLA LYNCH

Learn about various career opportunities in politics and gain the confidence to pursue your passion and make a difference in their communities and beyond.

BREAKING BOUNDARIES: EXPLORING NONTRADITIONAL CAREERS FOR WOMEN

MONICA MUNDY

Explore nontraditional career paths that can broaden their horizons and empower them to pursue their passions regardless of societal norms.

CLOSING SESSION

Move & Groove: Exercise, Line Dance & TikTok fun

DJ Erin Greene, Khia Jackson, Mary Hughley, Ebony Cooper

Welcome to a one-of-a-kind session that combines the energy of exercise, the joy of line dancing, and the viral excitement of TikTok challenges! Get ready to move, laugh, and dance your way through an unforgettable experience that will leave you feeling energized, connected, and inspired.



"Strength isn't just about lifting weights—it's about lifting yourself up and embracing the power within you. Believe in your journey, and let your inner strength shine through every challenge."

Ebony "Coach Coop" Cooper
Owner/Founder of Fit & Fierce Studios



Upgrade Dance Company is Lexington's first established black owned dance company. The owner, Mary Hughley is an employee of Fayette County and currently teaches Health & Physical Education at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School. The mission of Upgrade Dance Company is to provide recreational and pre-professional dance training in an environment that emphasizes a strong background in dance education and technical training, self-esteem enhancement, freedom of self expression, and culture awareness and inclusion.



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