

Here, three fourth graders share their dreams for the future, in a piece of writing that was inspired by both Martin Luther King, Jr., and a popular song by U2.

I Have a Dream

by Nicole



I say to you today that we have come a long way in equality and rights for all men, women and children since the 1960's!

I have a dream that we can achieve even more on equality, and rights in other countries.

I have a dream that America and other nations will learn to think equally about each other.

I have a dream that families will not fight but cooperate with words and not aggressive actions.

I have a dream that Barack Obama can stop the war and bring peace between other countries and us!

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that Barack Obama will provide Health Care and other necessities needed to survive, for the poor.

I have a dream today.

This is my hope--that every single American and that people in other countries will be successful in achieving big dreams, accomplishing big things, and will live peacefully!

This is my dream for Ohio, America, North America, and the world. My number one dream is to achieve peace and love throughout the world.

I have big dreams!

I Have a Dream

by Grace



In fourth grade I saw a poster in my classroom that read: *30 years from now it won't matter what shoes you wore, how your hair looked, what jeans you brought, what will matter is what you learned and how you used it.*

I say to you today if we do not learn, how will we know? When you grow up, you use what you learned and apply for a job. You make money and pay taxes (unless you are homeless), and the taxes go to the president who uses them to improve our nation. If we do not learn, how will money from our taxes go through this cycle? How will we improve? Make things even better than they are? This is why we need free education...so people can learn and our nation will improve to fix the mistakes made before us, and to end the war in Iraq. That is why we need to learn.

I have a dream that one day learning will be free so that other kids can learn that have never held a book before, so that there will be better lives for people that could have never dreamed about how we live.

I have a dream

I have a dream that knowledge will not be as rare as it is now, so that people of all kinds can learn the same things, so the hobo's daughter and the millionaire's son can learn the same things and the hobo's daughter may learn and her future will be brighter than ever before.

This is our hope, that things will be better, different than they are, so that we can be different than we were in the beginning. A couple decades ago African Americans and whites were different, even though we are both human we both deserve equal rights.

So if we learn our futures are brighter, our country is stronger. That is why we need to learn.

I Have a Dream

by Maddy



I say to you today there are the poor. Just think of all the children and their families starving. This needs to change.

I have a dream that one day every family will wake up and have a nutritious meal, not the little tidbit they have for food today.

I have a dream that the government will pay the poor more than they do. It's outrageous how little they get; I read in the newspaper that a family of seven only got \$300.00 a month.

I have a dream that everyone could wear decent clothes and afford snow clothes and other wants and toys.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that all kids could go to school and we could be a healthy nation

I have a dream today.

This is our hope that no one will be poor.

This will be the day when everyone is happy.

And when this happens, happiness will ring for the bottom of the sea to outer space.