

Honorable Mention, 2012 Dear George Washington Contest
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Dear Mr. President:

My name is Jadyn Jeantete-Gonzales. I am a dame school teacher in New York. Congratulations on being the first president of our nation. I agree that you will be a great leader and I hope that you will be a great leader and I hope you will think about the children in this nation. I think it is very unfair that boys get to learn more than girls and that slave children cannot be educated.

As a dame school teacher I am supposed to teach girls how to do everyday household chores but I think they should learn how to do other things such as reading, writing, social studies and math. I think that reading will help them with grammar and to write as they get in to college. Social studies can help them learn and understand about different places around the world and learn a lot about them. Math can help children learn to count money and help them with household finances.

I believe that African Americans should have the same rights as us. I also think that African American children should have the same education as all other children. It is not fair for other kids to know how to read and write and just because they are slaves they cannot learn like everyone else.

The new education can help children become great people and maybe great leaders like you when they are older. Thank you Mr. Washington for taking the time to read my letter and for understanding why I think that all children have the right to go to school regardless of their gender or the color of their skin.

Sincerely,

Jadyn Jeantete-Gonzales