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Promoting Justice for Youth of Color



Virginia Military Institution recalls - Jonathan M. Daniels, a native of Keene, New Hampshire, was valedictorian of the VMI Class of 1961. He was awarded the prestigious Danforth Fellowship for post-graduate study and enrolled at Harvard University to continue his study of English literature. Daniels soon realized that he was called to the ministry. While a seminarian at the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachu-

setts he responded to the pleas of Dr. Martin Luther King for clergy to become more actively involved in the Civil Rights movement, and traveled to Alabama to assist with voter registration efforts in the South.

In August 1965 Daniels and 22 others were arrested for participating in a voter rights demonstration in Fort Deposit, Alabama, and transferred to the county jail in nearby Hayneville. Shortly after being released on August 20, Richard

Morrisroe, a Catholic priest, and Daniels accompanied two black teenagers, Joyce Bailey and Ruby Sales, to a Hayneville store to buy a soda. They were met on the steps by Tom Coleman, a construction worker and part-time deputy sheriff, who was carrying a shotgun. Coleman aimed his gun at sixteen year old Ruby Sales; Daniels pushed her to the ground in order to protect her, saving her life. The shotgun blast killed Daniels instantly; Morrisroe was seriously wounded. When he heard of the tragedy, Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "One of the most heroic Christian deeds of which I have heard in my entire ministry was performed by Jonathan Daniels."

Cited

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See what Columbia Public Schools are doing to promote "Equity" among youth

As an alternative to traditional Out-of-School Suspension, which in many cases just had students sitting at home and missing out on their education, Columbia Public Schools utilizes the ACE (Alternative Center for Education) Program. The program is housed within the physical location of the Boys and Girls Club and is staffed with two certified educators who work with individual

and with small groups of students to keep them up-to-date on their school work until they are able to return to their assigned building.

In addition to the ACE program, Columbia Public Schools is excited to be exploring and piloting Restorative Practices in the district! Restorative Practices includes the use of informal and formal processes that precede wrongdoing, those that proac-

tively build relationships and a sense of community to prevent conflict and wrongdoing. RP is a social science that studies how to build social relationships and achieve social discipline through participatory learning and decision-making. When authorities do things with people, whether reactively – to deal with crisis – or proactively, the results are better.

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to change, it's not"

- Dr. Seuss

"The time is always right to do what is right."

- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Join our Effort in DMC awareness, in your Community

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Did you Know?

- DMC is one of the four requirements from OJJDP. Click [here](#) to find out about the others
- Statistically, about 1 out of every 2 young men of color will have been arrested at least once before the age 23, read more [here](#)

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