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Dear Precious and Amazing Class of 2021,

What a ride we have been on! We started the year with all the uncertainty of the pandemic not knowing how it might affect each one of us personally and as a class. We didn't know how long we would be able to stay together and if some of you would be able to join us in person at all. Put on top of that getting to know me after being blessed with Mr. B for two years, along with the normal challenges of adolescence heightened by the intensity of social media, coupled with physical isolation and you had a tremendous amount of challenge to navigate emotionally, mentally, and physically.

Through it all you came to school each day with optimism and joy. You loved and supported each other well. You continued to grow and create and in the midst of all God gave birth with you to great beauty. I knew something very special was afoot when you responded to Langston Hughes's "I Dream A World" with your own expressions of hope. Little did we know then that connection of hope would lead us to Ms. Patty Prasada-Rao and the inspirational community leaders of Sandtown, whose stories you would so warmly record. Only eternity will reveal the fruit of the seeds that have been sown in you and by you this year.

Know that I love you each dearly and will always treasure the days and weeks and months I have gotten to share with you this year. I am a better, richer, deeper person because of each of you.

With gratitude,

Scott Buresh, Cambridge Founder and 8th Grade Teacher

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I Dream A World

Langston Hughes

I dream a world where man No other man will scorn. Where love will bless the earth And peace its paths adorn I dream a world where all Will know sweet freedom's way. Where greed no longer saps the soul Nor avarice blights our day. A world I dream where black or white, Whatever race you be, Will share the bounties of the earth And every man is free, Where wretchedness will hang its head And joy, like a pearl, Attends the needs of all mankind-Of such I dream, my world!



Samuel Arneklev

I dream a world where peace and love will flourish
I dream a world where every ethnicity and religion will
come together as one

A world where everyone will have the freedom and liberty they deserve

Where sports and entertainment thrive and bring people together

Where there will be celebration and goodness everywhere throughout the world

I have a dream where humans can understand one another in agreement

I dream of a world where there is no corruptness and theft All of these things in which I dream for the world

Noah Brannan

I dream a world where everyone
Will feel welcome and loved
Where sadness is cast out
And happiness shines like a bright flame
I dream a world where no one
Will be taken and tortured by hunger
Where illness will have no power over us
Oh what a world that would be
I hope it won't only be a dream



Micah Cook

I dreamt a world where
I had my own room
Where my little brother would be clean
And would know how to use a broom
I dream everyone had a good day
And no one had a bad one
I dream where everybody had a house
And everyone had fun

Brooke Garcia

I dream a world people long for hope Freedom is a tightrope that we all shall cross A color can apparently change a whole statement

Yes, I am ashamed of the human race It is kind of hard to point and blame So we must not step back and let hate change us

But, I was thirteen when they told me, King had "A Dream"

Generations now are given the opportunity that their grandparents were denied

I dream that we all will think as if we're color blind

I dream of a world where we have respect for one another

I dream of a world where inequality shall go no further

I dream one day we will proclaim everyone equal I have a dream that is the same as King's

Alexis Goldenberg-Donahue

I dream a world

Where who you are isn't defined by your outward appearance Where the mind is precious and is bestowed the breaks needed so it may thrive

For it does indeed do so much for us

I dream a world

Where children are filled with unimaginable joy when they wake up in the morning

When they have the chance to breathe in this world, in this wonderful planet's air

For she does indeed do so much for us

I dream a world

Where their dream is not brain or back breaking labor Where needs are met regardless of how much paper you had Where they may feed their body freely without restriction For it does do so much for us

I dream a world

Where lives are not taken for granted until they are taken Where acceptance and appreciation is the key to ultimate happiness

And of course man may decide for themselves how to treat the world but keep in mind

That she does so much for us

I dream a world

Not defined by common sections

Where the spirit is free to flow wherever it may wish to flow Without judgement and the prying eyes of their superiors

Individuality is no synonym for perfect, I'll admit
But to strive for originality in a world full of conformity
Is to perhaps be the most perfect a human being can get

I dream a world
Where we can appreciate those
That do so much for us

Avery Good

I have a dream that

Everyone will come together and unite,

Stop all the hate between each other and respect everyone's different opinions,

I dream that we can all show love and kindness no matter their skin color

I just hope and pray that when my child grows up
He or she doesn't have to live in the world I lived in
I don't want them to see the horrific events I saw such
as Covid and black people being discriminated against,
I dream of a better world for each and every American
suffering from jobs that were lost

I hope and pray that soon this world will make a change for the best



Ethan Knustgraichen

I dream of a country that is one day driven by justice and love,

Not controlled by hate

A country where people find something to love about each other,

Not something to dislike

A place where no man must fear for his life,

But is glad he was born

I hope one day we can live together in a world where difference was a beautiful thing I beg that one day our country lives to the

expectations it set out to be

Somewhere I believe this world exists, for every man should be free.

Isaac Pittas

I dream a world where
Everyone will stand
With our hands clenched in hand,
No matter the background
No matter the race
No matter the wealth
We can stand
Our hands clenched in hand,
From the Marylanders in Chesapeake Bay,
The Mississippians by the gulf island shore,
Coloradans standing above the Rockies,
We a people
We can stand
No matter the distance
If we can come together we will achieve great things,

We will love each other and with our minds put together we all

injustice
We can achieve the perfect America
But we can only do this if we come together
We can all stand
With our hands clenched in hand.



Ella Rambissoon

I dream a world Where justice dances with love In a never-ending waltz Through the halls of our nation

I dream a world Where hope is cloaked in truth The very fabric of the future Adorning every American in its sanctity

Rod Swayne

One day there will be peace
There will be peace in every crack in every
crease
One day all those who breathe in air
Will be viewed equal
No matter their skin or hair
When freedom is freed and oppression is
chained
When love is abundant and hate in maimed
When the night is dominated by the light of day
And the evil in our hearts is kept at bay
And on the day all people will rejoice
All America in one united voice
One day, one day
But that day can be today



Hunter Simms

I dream a world
Where everyone's light shines
And dreams come true
A world full of coexisting minds
Where Love blooms anew

All shall have the respect
That we all deserve
And none shall we reject
For Martin's dream, we shall preserve

Peace shall reign Ignorance shall be slain And we'll all be riding that freedom train

But this world won't be all smiles O yes, there shall be trials But human dignity shall be seen for miles

The humanity of others shall shine brighter than the stereotypes
And people shall be judged by what lies within
Not by if you're black you are a sin
Or if you're a man you're meant to win
The bounty for your wife and kin

No, no, no Your appearance and body won't set you apart But what lies in your head and the content of your heart



I dream a world
Where we all unite
And our love
Our love shall shine so bright
Our love shall flow like sweet summer rivers
And shall melt away all cold winter shivers
O yes, our love shall leave a mark
On those with light skin and those with dark

But our love won't all be bliss
For we must, in the end, feel Death's kiss
Or the brunt of rage
Or the sting of tears
There shall be loss
And the shadow of fears...

There's always been pain
But in this new time we'll share it
The rage, the loss, and all those tears and fears
All of these we'll inherit
From friends and family, to mere acquaintances
We'll feel their pain and fight together
We'll remain united even in bad weather,
When things seem rough, stormy, and wild
Together we'll all reconcile

Like a phoenix from ashes
Or the sun from a murky horizon
Our love shall rise from the pain
And the beauty of dreaming shall reign.



Charlotte Thiessen

I dream a world
Where love comes in with life
And freedom pumps through our veins
Where we know justice
Better than the backs of our hands
And as our eyes fill with purpose
No man's head will hand
As we replace wretched greed
With the devotion we have been carrying
As we lay down an olive branch
And embrace our faults
We will walk barefoot
On the painful paths of history
And the longer we will endure the pain
The closer we will be to peace

Kate Williams

I dream a world where we
Can walk without fear
A world without injury and illness
Everyone will be equal
No matter your race, ethnicity, culture, or identity
I dream a world filled with love and beauty
Not hate or harm
There would be tears of joy
And smiles of happiness
I dream a world where division would become unity

Color of Youth

Hi Cambridge School students and family! We hope that you enjoyed the eighth grade poetry collection magazine. We loved reading all the amazing work that the eighth grade class wrote. Thank you to the Cambridge School for giving us this opportunity. To the eighth graders: we know that you have a bright future ahead. Good luck!

Best, Color of Youth Staff



Color of Youth is a student led organization created by young people of color for young people of color to share the experiences they have with race and racism.

Additionally, we work to share the talents of youth of color. We believe it is extremely important to give youth of color a space to share their creativity.

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