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ELA 6 A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

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Research Project: Leading the Fight Against Injustice in our World

In the novel, A Wrinkle in Time, by Madeleine L'Engle, the main characters find themselves at the center of a struggle between good and evil which threatens to destroy freedom and individuality. Near the end of chapter 6, the children name some people on Earth that they think have been fighters of evil, or "lights for us to see by," on the planet Earth. Named are people who have demonstrated the value of human creativity and individuality, hailing as heroes the greatest creative geniuses in the arts and sciences, including Einstein, Bach, da Vinci, and Shakespeare.

Your assignment is to research an individual who you believe has been such a light here on Earth. In your paper discuss this quote, name this person, and discuss his or her accomplishments with regard to what he or she has offered to others and our society in general, which has led the fight against darkness, ignorance, or evil in our world. Be sure to cite evidence from some document or source. You may access our school library to research this person by using the school district website. Your paper should be 1-3 pages in length, not including the works cited page. Do not include a cover page, rather, use a complete heading and title on the top of your first page. Additionally, you may choose to include pictures and/ or graphics related to the person or his/her accomplishments.

Your research paper must include the following:

- a **thesis statement** which clearly introduces the topic with an insightful analysis
- a **development of the topic** with an organized discussion of relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information
- a **clear organization**, with a skillful use of appropriate and varied transitions which work together to create a unified whole and enhance meaning
- maintains a formal, age-appropriate style with **precise language** and a **sense of voice**
- demonstrates a grade level command **of language conventions**, including grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling
- a **work cited page *must accompany your paper***, with at least one electronic source cited. You are encouraged to access our school library to research this person by using the school district website.

**Be sure to reference the attached district grading rubric attached.

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