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LOCAL STUDENTS TO WALK IN FOOTSTEPS OF U.S. LEADERS *Junior National Young Leaders Conference Offers Historic Perspectives*

Dwight Robins, Jr., a 6th grader at Rex Mill Middle School, in Rex, Georgia, will attend the Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D. C., July 10-15. He was nominated by his school counselor Mrs. Tammy Murphy.

This summer, over 250 outstanding middle school students from across the United States will take part in an extraordinary leadership conference in Washington, D.C. Themed *Voices of Leadership: Reflecting on the Past to Create the Future*, the **Junior National Young Leaders Conference (JrNYLC)** introduces young people to the rich tradition of leadership throughout American history, while helping them to develop their own leadership skills.

“The aim of the Junior National Young Leaders Conference is to inspire students to recognize their own leadership skills, measure their skills against those of current and former leaders and return home with new confidence in their ability to exercise positive influence within their communities,” said Marguerite Regan, Ph.D., Dean of Academic Affairs for the Congressional Youth Leadership Council (CYLC), the organization that sponsors JrNYLC. “Young people are not only welcome in Washington, D.C.; they actually keep this city and our country running.”

During the six-day program, students take part in educational activities and presentations and explore relevant sites, such as Harpers Ferry National Historical Park in West Virginia and Washington, D.C.’s museums and memorials.

In addition to examining notable U.S. leaders and historic figures, students study the impact of leadership throughout critical periods of American history including the Civil War and Reconstruction, World War II, the Great Depression and the Civil Rights Movement. Upon completion of JrNYLC, students will have gained a greater sense of the role of individuals in American democracy, as well as the responsibilities of being a leader.

Dwight is the son of Dwight and Wanda Robins. He is a member of the Jr. Beta Club, Math Club, RMMS Concert Band, and he enjoys baseball and football. He is also an A Honor Roll student.

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