Teaching the Memphis 13
School Desegregation Oral History Project

Interviewee:
Date:
Location:
Interviewer:
Length:

Share Purpose:
Express Gratitude:

INTERVIEW PROTOCOL ***

**Question 1:** Could you tell me when and where you were born?

**Question 2:** Can you tell me about your family? What did they do for a living? What were your parents’/guardians’ highest level of education? How was education discussed at home?

**Question 3:** What school(s) did you attend when you were younger? Can you tell me some of the memories you have when you were in elementary? What was it like in the classroom and on campus? Did you go to a segregated school? What was the racial makeup of students and teachers? Was your campus racially segregated?

**Question 4:** We’ve been learning about The Civil Rights Movement and Brown v Board of Education. Can you share some of your memories about when your community schools were desegregated? What kinds of conversations do you recall hearing about school desegregation? Who desegregated your schools, students, and teachers? How were race relations at school when this happened? How did it impact you, your family and friends, and the community?

**Question 5:** It’s been a while since The Civil Rights Movement and Brown v Board of Education. Are you satisfied with the progress that has been made to desegregate (separate) and create more equal schools? Why? Do you have any suggestions for what we, students and educators, can do to improve our education?