



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

December 6, 2013

Dear Coppin Campus Community:

As the world mourns the passing of Nelson Mandela, South Africa's first black president, I want to take this opportunity to pay tribute to his life and legacy. The world has lost a great man, humanitarian and the most profound servant leader of our lifetime. Nelson Mandela inspired the movement with grace and dignity which led his country to democracy. Let us take this time to rededicate ourselves to his vision for a world in which "none is exploited, oppressed or dispossessed by another."

He has taken his last step in the long walk to freedom and all of mankind is better for his journey. I ask the entire Coppin Campus Community to honor the life of Nelson Mandela with a brief moment of silence at 12 noon today.

Mortimer H. Neufville
President

Special thanks to Dionne Curbeam, CSU's Director for Instructional Technology for compiling this archive of historical moments in the life of Nelson Mandela

[NBC Learn Portal](#) has several news videos about Nelson Mandela. This would be a great teachable moment for our students, some who may not understand the impact of Nelson Mandela's legacy on the world. In addition, this would be a great opportunity of reflection and tribute for all. These videos can be accessed by clicking the respective links from an on-campus computer, or by logging in to Blackboard. If you try to click the links from off-campus, you will be prompted to create a username and password in NBC Learn. Please contact the Instructional Technology & Training Department if you need assistance. Email: dcurbeam@coppin.edu Office: 410-951-3854

1. [First Lady Obama Meets Nelson Mandela \(6/21/2011\)](#)
2. [History of Apartheid in South Africa \(4/2/1994\)](#)
3. [South Africa 1994 – Nelson Mandela on the Eve of Historic Win \(4/23/1994\)](#)
4. [Nelson Mandela Inaugurated as President of South Africa \(5/10/1994\)](#)



5. [Profile of Anti-Apartheid Leader Nelson Mandela \(2/9/1990\)](#)
6. [Born Free Generation Carves New Path in South Africa \(7/18/2012\)](#)
7. [Nelson Mandela Freed \(2/11/1990\)](#)
8. [Nelson Mandela Elected President of South Africa \(5/2/1994\)](#)
9. [South African President de Klerk Lift Restrictions on Political Organizations \(2/2/1990\)](#)
10. [The Zulu People of South Africa \(11/17/1992\)](#)

Always remember, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world" (Nelson Mandela).