

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Andre J. Hornsby

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Hornsby, Andre J., 1953-
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Andre J. Hornsby,
Dates:	December 7, 2004
Bulk Dates:	2004
Physical Description:	5 Betacame SP videocassettes (2:30:28).
Abstract:	Education chief executive Andre J. Hornsby (1953 -) served as superintendent of the South Central District of the Houston Independent School District; superintendent of the Yonkers, New York, Public School system; president for the National Alliance of Black School Educators; and supervising superintendent of Executive Leadership Development for the New York Public Schools. Hornsby was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on December 7, 2004, in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2004_250
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Andre Jose Hornsby was born on October 7, 1953, in New Orleans, Louisiana; his mother was a seamstress and his father was a carpenter and bricklayer. An early learner, Hornsby began attending school when he was just two and a half years old and was able to read at three. Hornsby's parents divorced during his early childhood and his mother moved the family to Gary, Indiana. In 1971, Hornsby

earned his high school diploma from Bishop Noll Institute Catholic High School in Hammond, Indiana, where he was a star athlete excelling in football and track.

After high school, Hornsby attended Arizona Western Community College on a football scholarship, where he earned his A.A. degree in pre-medicine and education in 1973. Hornsby then went on to attend the University of Tulsa, earning his B.S. degree in education in 1975. Hornsby received his master's degree in health and physical education from the University of Houston in 1976 and began his teaching career that same year. In 1982, Hornsby earned his doctorate of education from Texas Southern University.

From 1995 until 1998, Hornsby served as superintendent of the South Central District of the Houston Independent School District. In this position he founded a 21st Century Laboratory School with Texas Southern University and restructured more than 200 schools in the district. In 1998, Hornsby served as superintendent of the Yonkers, New York Public School system; during his tenure, standardized test scores improved and he increased the number of reading, math, and technology programs in the school system. From 2001 until 2003, Hornsby worked as president for the National Alliance of Black School Educators, a nonprofit organization devoted to furthering academic success for the nation's children, particularly children of African descent. In 2003, Hornsby served as supervising superintendent of Executive Leadership Development, working with district superintendents, local school boards, and communities to implement an executive leadership development program in New York Public Schools. Later that year he was hired as the chief executive officer for Prince George's County Public Schools in Maryland.

Hornsby has received numerous awards for his educational and civic accomplishments.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Andre J. Hornsby was conducted by Racine Tucker Hamilton on December 7, 2004, in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, and was recorded on 5 Betacame SP videocassettes. Education chief executive Andre J. Hornsby (1953 -) served as superintendent of the South Central District of the Houston Independent School District; superintendent of the Yonkers, New York, Public School system; president for the National Alliance of Black School Educators; and supervising superintendent of Executive Leadership Development for the New York Public Schools.

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Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Hornsby, Andre J., 1953-

Hamilton, Racine Tucker (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews
Hornsby, Andre J., 1953---Interviews

African American educators--Interviews

African American school administrators--Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Education Chief Executive

HistoryMakers® Category:

EducationMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 2/5/2020 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

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