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**Editors Advisory: Newport Students to Reenact Rosa Parks' Bus Experience at Montgomery County's Black History Month Celebration**

**Who:** Students of the Newport School in Silver Spring, Md.

**What:** Montgomery County Executive's African American History Month Celebration

The Newport School's Lower School students join in Montgomery County's kickoff to African American History Month in an original program reenacting Rosa Parks' history-transforming bus ride. These 6-11 year old students developed to honor the civil rights activists' memory and to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary last December of her historical ride against segregation in Montgomery, Alabama.

More than 60% of Newport's students are people of color, coming from Asian, Middle Eastern and Latino/Hispanic backgrounds, with African Americans representing 39% of our very diverse student body makeup.

**When:** Tuesday, February 7, 2006, 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Montgomery County Executive Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville

**About The Newport School**

The Newport School, founded in 1930 in Montgomery County, Maryland, is currently celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Newport's student body is the most diverse for an independent school in Washington. Newport offers a strong academic program and is proud of the diversity of its student body. With its emphasis on small classes and academic excellence, at Newport every student comes first. Visit The Newport School online at [www.newportschool.org](http://www.newportschool.org)

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