

Potential Heroes List – 8th Grade ELA

Lenny Zakim	John Lennon
Jim Henson	Stevie Wonder
Lance Armstrong	Stephen Sondheim
Blake Mycoskie	Alvin Ailey
Princess Diana	Audrey Hepburn
JK Rowling	Bill Cosby
JRR Tolkien	Charles Schulz
Oprah Winfrey	Christopher/Dana Reeve
Abraham Lincoln	Danny Thomas (founder of St. Jude's)
Helen Caldicott	Dr. Seuss – Theodore Siesel
Eboo Patel	Ellen Degeneres
Walt Disney	Frank Lloyd Wright
Harvey Milk	Coco Chanel
Jane Addams	Gary Larson (creator of Far Side)
Steve Jobs	Houdinni
Bill Gates	M.C. Escher
Ben and Jerry	Maria Tallchief (Native American ballerina)
Bethany Hamilton	Michael J. Fox
Billie Jean King	Maya Lin (designer of Vietnam Memorial)
Magic Johnson	Matt Groening (creator of Simpson's)
Drew Brees	Amelia Earhart
Doug Flutie	Ernest Shackleton
Dick Hoyt (pushes his son in his wheelchair during marathons)	Jim Lovell
Tony Dungy	John Glenn
Jackie Robinson	John Wesley Powell
Jesse Owens	Neil Armstrong
Mia Hamm	Sally Ride – first woman in space
Muhammed Ali	Sir Edmund Hillary – first to climb Mt. Everest
Eunice Kennedy Shriver	Mother Teresa
Angelina Jolie	Elizabeth Glaser – (created Pediatric AIDS Foundation)
Bono – Paul Hewson	Susan G. Komen
Robert Ballard (ocean exploration)	
Jane Goodall	
Pele	
Aaron Copland	
Ella Fitzgerald	
Aretha Franklin	