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You can't *talk* about the accomplishments of Black Oregonians without *shouting* about their historic professional successes in Portland Public Schools.

Despite the demographic odds, Blacks have earned the *highest* positions of responsibility and respect in the Northwest's *largest* public educational system.

Blacks represent only 15.4 percent of the school district's students (1987-88 enrollment), just 7.0 percent of the city's inhabitants (1980 census) and barely 1.4 percent of the state's residents (1980 census).

- Yet . . .
- **Matthew Prophet** since 1982 has been the superachieving *superintendent of schools* sought by New York, Los Angeles and several other large urban school districts.
 - **Ernest Hartzog** has been an *assistant superintendent* in Portland since 1972. He now is the *No. 3* educator in the system, in charge of districtwide and alternative programs.



Just ask Matt, Ernie, Aletha, Bill, Edith, Ed, Nate, Mac and 604 other Black PPS employees . . .



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- **Aletha Chavis** has been *personnel director* since 1980. She's been instrumental in the employment of 6,551 teachers and support employees, of whom 9.3 percent are Black (a 14.1 percent *increase* since 1980-81).
- **Bill Gerald** and **Edith Wilson** are two of eight *cluster directors of instruction* overseeing operations of scores of schools.
- **Ed Green**, *director of transportation services*, supervises the complexities of busing thousands of school children.
- **Nate Jones**, *administrator* of Jefferson High, was honored by his Oregon peers as *1987 Secondary Principal of the Year*.
- **Mac Lockett** is *chief* of the 20-member Portland School Police Dept. Affirmative action and multiethnic-multicultural education aren't just *talk* in Portland Public Schools. Just ask Matt, Ernie, Aletha, Bill, Edith, Nate, Mac and 604 other Black employees of the school district.



When it comes to recognizing a person who has contributed time, talent and energy to the recent history of our community, the name of Betty Thompson will be familiar to many. To list only a few of her many accomplishments would include leadership roles in the Albina War on Poverty, Metropolitan Steering Committee, National Association of Colored Womens' Clubs (the oldest black women's organization in th U.S., organized in 1898), Metropolitan Family Service where she initiated the Foster Grandparents Program, Governor's Advisory Committee on Aging, United Way Executive Budget/ Allocations Committee, Portland Federation of Women's Organization, Literary Research Club and St. Philips's Episcopal Church.

Her presence as a model of responsible citizenship in our community continues to make a difference. Betty Thompson ... Congratulations!

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