

Youth examine the horrors of chattel slavery

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In most schools and programs throughout the Twin Cities and throughout America, students are not taught about the tremendous sacrifices that African Americans have made for the development of the United States.



From June to August, children at WE WIN Institute learned about the tragedies of chattel slavery for African people. They learned how millions of Africans were stolen from their homeland and were packed like sardines in a treacherous boat; the majority of Africans did not survive the three-month trip. Once in America, the children learned, Africans went through another nightmare by having to work from sun up to sunset in the fields, which included picking cotton, rice, tobacco, and indigo. African people worked for 250 years for no pay. The children learned that through the labor of African people that the United States was able to be the rich and powerful country that it is today.

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