“It is not your duty to be average. It is your duty to set a higher example for others to follow. I did. You can. You will.”

(20th Anniversary Motto for Lincoln Alexander Public School – Ajax, Ontario, 2012)

Jan. 21, 1922: Lincoln MacCauley Alexander was born in Toronto to the son of West Indian immigrants.
1930’s: Attended Earl Grey Public School and Riverdale Collegiate in Hamilton.

1944: Graduated from McMaster University with a BA in economics and history.
1953: Graduated from Osgoode Hall Law School.

1942-45: Joined the Royal Canadian Air Force during the Second World War.

1979-80: First Black Cabinet Minister.
1985-91: Ontario’s 24th Lieutenant Governor, first Black person to hold this office in Canada.
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