

BOOK RESUME: MICHELLE OBAMA

Michelle Obama: Political Icon

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*Age Range: 8 – 12 (Suggested by Publisher)

Grade Range: Grade 3 –6 (Recommended by School Library Journal)

BOOK SYNOPSIS

Growing up on Chicago's South Side, Michelle LaVaughn Robinson loved school and her family. Driven by her parents' passion for education and her own desire to succeed, she graduated first from Princeton and then Harvard Law School and landed a job at a prestigious law firm, where she met her soon-to-be husband, Barack Obama. While raising their two young daughters, Michelle Obama committed herself to public service. She kept that commitment as her husband's political career soared and worked hard to continue serving the public when her family landed in the White House. Follow Obama's journey from Chicago school kid to history-making First Lady and beyond as she continues to make her mark as an inspiring speaker, bestselling author, and agent for positive change.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"Readers are encouraged to be their own boss. . . . [S]uitable introductory biographies of modern women."— *School Library Journal*, Series Made Simple

AUTHOR STATEMENT (OPTIONAL)

""The idea is to give readers different examples of successful women that they could see as role models — see themselves in, in some way. As an author, a reader and a parent, I'm against book banning on principle. There couldn't be a safer way for kids to learn about difficult topics, gain new perspectives and explore the world and their place in it than by reading words on a page."—Heather E. Schwartz, statement from the Insider

***A NOTE ON AGE RANGES**

A publisher-suggested age range covers the gamut of readers that publishers envision using the book, whether for independent reading, family sharing, group study, or in other ways. Educators have the best sense of the appropriate age range for the diverse learners they work with and understand these ranges vary depending on a book's intended use.