

Name:

Pulkit K. Agrawal

City, Country:

Hialeah, FL, USA

Age/Date of birth:

November 10, 1993

Age: 15

Place of birth:

New Delhi, India

School/Team:

North Miami Senior High

Global Pioneers

**Reason for applying to J8:**

I applied for J8 because I feel that the leaders of today need to hear the voices of the youth who have fresh ideas and a different perspective. I enjoy history and am interested in current events, foreign and domestic. I wanted to learn more about various countries and cultures. This is an ideal opportunity for me to be able to help others and work with UNICEF, and visit Italy!

Languages spoken: I speak English and Hindi fluently. I am currently learning Spanish.

Role models:

The role models in my life are my family – my father, mother, and two sisters. They have all helped me to get to where I am today. They all have qualities that I admire and I would love to incorporate into myself the best from each of them. My dad is phenomenal at giving advice that is applicable to everyday life. My mom is excellent at cooking and helping me with science. Both of my sisters graduated valedictorians of the high school that I currently attend and they are attending prestigious colleges. I plan to follow in their footsteps, trying to be the best that I can possibly be. Even though I may sometimes not show it to them, I appreciate all of them and I hope to learn as much as I possibly can.

Likes:

I love technology. Whenever I see a new gadget, I try to explore it as much as possible. I have assembled my own computer, done much photography and video for family events, and designed various websites. In my spare time, I also enjoy playing video games on my Xbox 360. My favorite subject in school is mathematics, followed by history. I enjoy reading novels, working out and like hardcore training sessions. I love challenges and love to test my limits.

Dislikes:

My dislikes include hypocrisy, ignorance, being underestimated, and being told what to do, especially by a person close to my own age. Hypocrites irritate me because they always change their mind and go against their own beliefs. When I am underestimated, I feel as if people do not see my actual potential, and I really dislike this. I especially hate not knowing stuff. This ignorance is extremely annoying.

Hobbies:

My hobbies include martial arts, working with technology, and all of aforementioned likes.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years time?

In 10 years, I see myself having graduated college with a major in Computer Science. I will be either working for a major computer firm such as Microsoft or Apple or I may be self-employed. Only time will tell!

What are you looking forward to most at the J8?

The possibility of meeting the world leaders of the most industrialized nations is what I look forward to most. I also look forward to meeting people from various cultures and broadening my network of friends.

What do you hope to achieve from participating in J8 2009?

I hope that I will be able to become a better person. I will become friendlier and learn more team building skills. I hope to be able to provide solutions that world leaders can use.

Name:

Emmanuella Louisdor

City, country:

North Miami, Florida, United States

Age/date of birth:

16/ June 1, 1992

Place of birth:

Miami, Florida, United States

School/team:

North Miami Senior High/ Global Pioneers

**Reason for applying to J8:**

My local community is important to me and I always want to stay active and help in all the ways that I can. As a member of the global community it is not only my right but my obligation to take an active role on that level. By being a part of J8 I would also have a chance to go to Italy, a country I have always wanted to visit.

Languages spoken:

English

Creole

Role models:

My grandmother Felia Joseph is my role model. She is one of the most amazing women that I have ever been blessed to be around. She has given birth to four children and raised three to become responsible adults. My grandmother left her home in Haiti to live in the United States with her children and has become a United States citizen. She is strong, smart, and cannot be beat in the kitchen 😊. My grandmother is the best.

Likes:

I really like food and I not only I make it but I eat it as well. I also like all kind of music. People are something else that I like. I think people are fascinating and awesome in all sorts of ways.

Dislikes:

I do not like it when people are upset. There is something about seeing someone in pain or sad that really affects me. That is what fuels my need to help anyone I can.

Hobbies:

I love to read. Any chance I get I will sit somewhere and read a nice and thick novel.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years time?

In ten years time I would have graduated from the university of my choosing and started my work as an advocate for children and families.

What are you looking forward to most at the J8?

I am most looking forward to being in Italy and having the opportunity to meet and interact with others my age that have the same investment in the world that I do.

What do you hope to achieve from participating in J8 2009?

I hope that my ideas will be helpful to solving international problems and that those ideas will lead to a positive change in the lives for all. After all that I would have had experienced at the 2009 J8 Summit I would hopefully gain a new more worldly outlook on life.

Name:

Daniel Morales

City, country:

North Miami, Florida, USA

Age/date of birth:

Age – 15

August 28, 1993

Place of birth:

New York City, New York

**School/team:**

North Miami Senior High School

Global Pioneers

Reason for applying to J8:

I applied for J8 because Ms.King had invited me to participate in the application process and I welcomed an opportunity to do more for my community, and be more involved with world affairs. I also hoped to participate in world affairs, and be a part of the solution. My opportunity came with the J8 competition funded by UNICEF.

Languages spoken: I am fluent in two languages: English and Spanish; and I am a learning both French and Italian

Role models: I look up to a number of people, depending on the aspect of what I am looking towards. I aspire to become a politician and someday President. For this aspect of my life, I look up to Ms.King because of her knowledge of politics' and history. Musically I look up to Kurt Cobain; his music opened my eyes to the world of rock. His style of music made me decide to pick up a guitar and start to play my own music.

Likes: I like to listen and play my favorite songs on my electric guitar. I also like to read online about topic's that come to my mind when ever I have spare time as I like becoming more knowledgeable.

Dislikes: There are very few things that I dislike, but my main dislike is people who are hypocrites! I stand by my word, unlike hypocrites who are always changing opinions.

Hobbies: My major hobby is shredding on my electric guitar. I started playing in December, and I have gotten significantly better. Another hobby that I have is reading on my favorite topics to better my general knowledge of topics such as my favorite rock bands, historical facts, and famous quotes by people.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years time? In 10 years I see myself graduating from a very prestigious law university and becoming a significant political figure. I aspire to one day become president, so becoming a significant political figure will be crucial.

What are you looking forward to most at the J8? At the J8 summit, I look forward to meeting new people, travelling to Europe for the first time, and being part of an amazing

experience that is the J8/G8 summit. I want to make international friends with whom I can talk with from time to time via Facebook or instant messenger. I also look forward to the presentation of our ideas to the G8 leaders as well as our fellow J8 delegations. Lastly, I look forward to developing some of the skills that I will need to become a world leader.

What do you hope to achieve from participating in J8 2009? From the J8 summit I hope to have an experience that will leave me in a “wowed” state, which will make me want to continue to work hard and achieve goals that will continue the feeling. I hope to acquire some of the political tools that I will need in the future, such as developing strong confidence when speaking to others, learning how to research effectively, and work very well with others. Working well with others is an important trait to resolving conflicts as history has shown numerous times.

Name: Kefhira Pintos

City, country: Sunny Isles Beach, FL, US

Age/date of birth: 17/ October 5, 1991

Place of birth: Miami, FL, US

School/team: North Miami Senior High School/
Global Pioneers



Reason for applying to J8: Applying to J8 was a way of getting our voices heard, of informing all that the youth does have an opinion and a stance and we want to make a difference for we are not only the future, but the right now.

Languages spoken: I fluently speak English and Spanish

Role models: My biggest role models are my parents, Norma Samanon and Oscar Pintos, for they both migrated to this foreign country alone, never giving up along the way.

Likes: I love the beach, shopping, swimming, going out on the town with friends or just staying in for movie nights. I cherish honesty, laughter and sprinkles of sarcasm here and there. I love participating in my selected extracurricular activities, which include Debate, Model UN, SECME and the National Honor Society.

Dislikes: I despise liars, and like every teenager – tons of homework.

Hobbies: I love to swim, debate, shop, enjoy the beach, meet new people and try new things.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years time? In 10 years time, I see myself as possessing an undergraduate and graduate degree from an Ivy League school. I see myself either working at a prestigious international law firm, working in international relations or beginning my career as a psychologist. I see myself as happy, successful, determined and with wishes to continue travelling the world, not only for pleasure but with hopes of helping those worldwide in need through incredible organizations like UNICEF.

What are you looking forward to most at the J8? On the road to the J8 summit, I'm most looking forward to meeting and interacting with kids from around the world with the same aspirations for a better tomorrow as I. I am looking forward to make my voice heard on an international level, and explore our summit site of Rome, Italy.

What do you hope to achieve from participating in J8 2009? From my participation in the 2009 J8 Summit, I hope to gain a better understanding of international relations and how the lives of kids from around the world are similar or different from that of my own. I hope to be given the opportunity to meet and speak with the heads of states from around the world, in an effort to share the perspective of young people.