

Alizea Yelvington

After graduating from North Lawndale College Prep, where Alizea participated in I AM WHY, an organization that focuses on young Black women's self-determination, she knew she wanted to continue this work herself with young Black girls. She worked as a restorative justice consultant in high school and soon made her transition to Fisk University where she continues to fight for justice for people of color by working with Boston College as a racial justice team member and being an advocate for Black women on her college campus.

Her desire to want to make the world a better place for people developed after being subjected to a lot of things children shouldn't be subjected throughout her own childhood, Alizea finds motivation from her sister, to keep pushing forward. While in high school Alizea helped write and edit a book with I AM WHY, which resulted in her being offered a part time position as a team on the I AM WHY Racial Justice team, a team designed to create solutions for racial challenges in North Lawndale communities. Alizea is currently an English major at Fisk University. In the future, she hopes to inspire young Black children in her community to choose a different path and she hopes to serve as a role model for her community.