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LEADERSHIP & LEGACY IN KENTUCKY HISTORY

JOHN HENRY JACKSON | 1850-1919

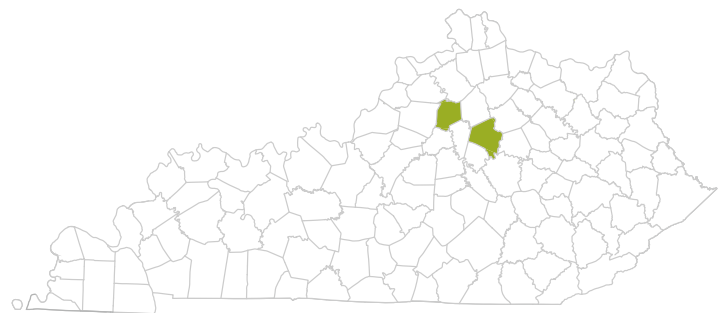


Jackson Hall at Kentucky State University honors John Henry Jackson. (Photo by Kentucky Historical Society)

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

– Born a slave in Lexington, John Henry Jackson did not attend school until age 16, but his passion for education and equal rights directed the rest of his life. A Berea College graduate, Jackson led an effort to stop passage of the Separate Coach Bill. He advocated for training African American teachers. Twice he was president of the State Normal School for Colored Persons (now Kentucky State University), leading and expanding its faculty, student enrollment and campus. Jackson Hall at KSU honors his work.

Read more: “The Jackson Family Legacy in Kentucky,” Kentucky Ancestors Online, a publication of the Kentucky Historical Society.



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