

1607	Harriet Tubman escapes slavery with the help of the Underground Railroad
1619	Martin Luther King, jr. gives his "I Have a Dream" speech
1699	Civil War ended with the Battle of Richmond
1775	Supreme Court decision that public schools must accept children of all races
1776	Abraham Lincoln issues the Emancipation Proclamation
1788	Civil War begins with the bombing of a Union Fort in SC
1828	First permanent English colony in Jamestown, Virginia
1838	House of Burgesses, the first law-making body of the colonies, meets
1849	First Continental Congress meets in Philadelphia
1861	Declaration of Independence signed

1863	Virginia becomes the 10th state of the US
1865	US Army forces the Cherokee off their land (Trail of Tears)
1954	First Cherokee newspaper, <i>Phoenix</i> , published
1955	Williamsburg becomes the capital of the Virginia colony
1963	Rosa Parks arrested for refusing to give up her seat on the bus to a white person