

ALL ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS/APs/ELEMENTARY TEACHERS: Black History Essay Contest for Elementary Schools
Category: For Your Information

Audience: Principals/APs (Elementary), All Teachers

Due Date: n/a

Meeting Date: n/a

Announce the Department of Social Sciences Black History Elementary (K-5) Essay Contest.

- The purpose of this contest is to enhance elementary school students' writing skills while promoting awareness of the 2014 Black History theme: "Civil Rights in America."
- **2014 Black History prompt:**
Most people believe that everyone should be treated equally. Think about a time when someone was treated unfairly. Describe the situation and explain how the situation can be corrected.
- **PRIZES (K-2):**
First, second and third place prizes are as follows:
 - 1st place – \$50 gift card and framed certificate.
 - 2nd place – \$30 gift card and framed certificate.
 - 3rd place – \$20 gift card and framed certificate.
- **PRIZES (3-5):**
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- **BLACK HISTORY ESSAY CONTEST GUIDELINES**
- Elementary school students up to grade 5 are eligible to participate in this contest. Sixth grade students who are still housed in an elementary school and sixth grade students in a K-8 center must enter the middle school competition.
- Essay entries must meet the following requirements:
 - Typed using a 12 pt. font size.
 - Maximum length of 500 words (2 pages).
 - Double spaced on white paper.
 - Stapled on the upper left hand corner.
 - **Include a cover sheet with the following:**
 - **Prompt typed on the cover sheet.**
 - The cover sheet must include:
 - Student's name,
 - Email address,
 - Phone number (cell/home),
 - Grade level,
 - School.
- * Failure to follow these guidelines will result in disqualification.
- All entries will be evaluated in their entirety with consideration being given to the following four elements: focus, organization, support and conventions.
- **All entries are due by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 31, 2014.**
- **MAIL OR HAND DELIVER TO:**
 - Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor,
Department of Social Sciences

SBAB Annex, Room 326C

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- Faxed/emailed entries will not be accepted.
- All students who enter will receive a certificate of participation.
- Winners will be announced via email on or before Friday, February 7, 2014.
- First, second and third place winners will be recognized in the 2014 District Black History Program.
- The District's Annual Black History program date is **TBA**. Details will be forwarded to the schools of the first, second and third place winners at a later date. The program will be held at the SBAB Auditorium, 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, FL 33132.
- If you need additional information, please contact Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor, Department of Social Sciences via email at sherrilyscott@dadeschools.net.

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