ALL SECONDARY PRINCIPALS/AP'S: Black History Essay Contest for Secondary Schools

Category: For Your Information

Audience: Principals/APs (Middle), Principals/APs (Senior High)

Due Date: n/a
Meeting Date: n/a

The Department of Social Sciences, 99 JAMZ (Cox Radio), and the United Teachers of Dade, are sponsoring the annual Black History Essay Contest for secondary students.

- The purpose of this contest is to enhance secondary school students’ writing skills while promoting an awareness of the 2013 Black History theme, “At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington.”
- All entries are due by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2013.
- Winners will be announced via email on or before Friday, February 15, 2013.
- First, second, and third place winners in the following categories will be recognized in the 2013 District Black History Program (see details below).
- First, second, and third place winners are asked to attend the District’s annual Black History program.
- The District’s Annual Black History program is scheduled for Wednesday, February 20, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- The SBAB auditorium address is 1450 N.E. Second Avenue, Miami, FL 33132.
- The secondary categories are grades 6-8 and 9-12.
- **2013 Black History prompt:**
  Think about how the Emancipation Proclamation influenced the Civil Rights Movement and the March on Washington. Now write to explain to your reader how this historical proclamation influenced the Civil Rights Movement.

**PRIZES:**
- Separate first, second, and third place prizes will be awarded in the middle and senior high school categories as follows:
  - 1st place - $200 U.S Currency
  - 2nd place - $100 U.S. Currency
  - 3rd place - $50 U.S. Currency

**BLACK HISTORY ESSAY CONTEST GUIDELINES**
- Essays must be typed, with a maximum length of 500 words (2 pages), double spaced on white paper, and stapled on the upper left hand corner. The prompt must be typed on the cover sheet. The cover sheet must also include the student’s name, grade level, email address, phone number (cell/home), and 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.

**SUBMIT TO:**
Dr. Sherrilyn Scott, Supervisor, 
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Mail Code #9626
- All entries are due on or before Monday, February 11, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.
- If there are further questions, contact Dr. Sherrilyn Scott via email at sherrilynscott@dadeschools.net.

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