**Elie Wiesel Foundation’s Prize in Ethics Essay Contest for SHS Juniors and Seniors**

*Category: For Your Information*

**Audience:** Principals/APs (Senior High)

**Due Date:** Mar 18, 2016

**Meeting Date:** n/a

**Attachment(s):**
- 8_5x11_Flyer_2016_High_Schools_Published_Versiondoc.pdf

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To announce the Elie Wiesel Foundation’s Prize in Ethics Essay Contest and scholarship award information sponsored by The Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Expo Inc., the LRN Corporation, and The Betsy South Beach.

- The Office of Academics and Transformation and the Elie Wiesel Foundation announce an Ethics Essay Contest open to senior high school juniors and seniors and scholarship award information provided by the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Expo Inc., the LRN Corporation, and The Betsy South Beach.

- Please note the following specifics about the Prize in Ethics Essay Contest: Principals are highly encouraged to appoint a point person to take the lead to manage the essay contest at the school site.
  - The essay contest is open to juniors and seniors.
  - Schools should conduct their own school site essay contests using the essay topic and guidelines in the attachments.
  - Schools are highly encouraged to establish a school site deadline a week prior to the District deadline in order for all entries to be evaluated by school personnel.
  - Schools must submit their top two winning essays ONLY on or before March 18, 2016 by 5:00 p.m. EST.
  - Schools can either drop off the essays at the Department of Social Sciences or Department of Language Arts, SBAB Annex, 1501 NE 2nd Avenue, Suite 326 B, or send them via FAX, 305 995-1492.
  - Please be sure to follow the guidelines for the essay contest. The guidelines are attached. Pay particular attention to the cover page requirements.
  - District winners will be chosen from school site submissions and announced at a special awards ceremony to be held at The Betsy South Beach. Ceremony information logistics will be forwarded to schools at a later date.

- The following scholarship prizes will be awarded:
  - First prize: $3,000 scholarship
  - Second prize: $2,000 scholarship
  - Third prize: $1,000 scholarship
  - Two honorable mentions: $250 scholarship each.

- Attached to this briefing are flyers that can be posted throughout schools to encourage student participation and essay guidelines. Please note: the essay prompt is included in the flyer.

- Should you need additional information or have questions, please contact Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net or Ms. Karen Spigler, Executive Director, Department of Secondary Language Arts/Reading, kspigler@dadeschools.net, or see the contact number below.

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