To announce the top ten (10) finalists for the 2017-18 Elie Wiesel Foundation’s Prize in Ethics Essay Contest for SHS Juniors and Seniors sponsored by The Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Expo Inc., the LRN Corporation, and The Betsy South Beach.

- The Division of Academics, Department of Social Sciences and the Elie Wiesel Foundation are pleased to announce the top ten (10) finalists for the 2017-18 Ethics Essay Contest and scholarship award.
- The finalists are as follows (listed alphabetically by school name):
  - **Elizabeth Rodriguez**, Grade 11 - Academy for Advanced Academics South, Dr. Omar Monteagudo, Principal and Mr. John Burkowski, Jr., Teacher.
  - **Johan Soto**, Grade 11 - Coral Gables Senior High School, Mr. Adolfo L. Costa, Principal and Mr. Telio Gutierrez, Teacher.
  - **Paola Gerena**, Grade 12 - Cutler Bay Senior High School, Mr. Lucas J. De La Torre, Principal and Ms. Christy Ann McCoy, Teacher.
  - **Samuel Isenberg**, Grade 11 - iPreparatory Academy, Mr. Alberto M. Carvalho, Principal and Ms. Melissa Keller, Teacher.
  - **Olivia Ruiz**, Grade 11 - iPreparatory Academy, Mr. Alberto M. Carvalho, Principal and Ms. Melissa Keller, Teacher.
  - **Jaime Fernandez**, Grade 11 - Miami Beach Senior High School, Dr. María T. Rodriguez, Principal and Mr. David Reese, Teacher.
  - **Estefania Caputo**, Grade 12 - Ronald Reagan/Doral Senior High School, Mr. Juan Carlos Boué, Principal and Mr. Patrick M. Vega, Teacher.
  - **Mariana Penaloza**, Grade 12 - School for Advanced Studies North Campus, Dr. Omar Monteagudo, Principal and Mr. Frederick A. Green and Dr. Michele P. Mar, Teachers.
  - **Ana Blanco**, Grade 11 - TERRA Environmental Research Institute, Mr. Jose Sirven, Principal and Mr. Eduardo Barreto, Teacher.
  - **Carolina Bello**, Grade 11 - TERRA Environmental Research Institute, Mr. Jose Sirven, Principal and Mr. Eduardo Barreto, Teacher.
- These talented young writers will be recognized at the annual Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest Scholarship Awards Ceremony that will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, at the Betsy Hotel South Beach.
- Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. 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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