

30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Contest

2022-2023 ESSAY

Theme: “Living the Dream: It takes a Team”

Eligible Participants: All Southern Denton County Students in Grades 4 - 12

Requirements: All typed essays [or Poems] **must** be original and use this year’s theme as the title and expand the theme and discuss its impact on one’s daily life. It should explore Dr. King’s ideals, philosophy, and principles. It should not be about the Civil Rights history and should use quotations rarely. Entries with historically inaccurate info will not be considered for the awards. [Additional rules, below] Full Name (w/phonetic pronunciation), phone, email, grade, school, and teacher’s name must be written on a separate cover sheet.

Teachers: Please select the top 10 per class that meet word-count criteria to send to us.

Grades 4-5 - 200-300 words

Grades 6-8 - 300-500 words

Grades 9-12 - 500-800 words

Cash Prizes: Up to 27 Prizes in this category:

Each Grade 4-5: 1st: \$75; 2nd: \$50; 3rd: \$25

Each Grade 6-8: 1st: \$100; 2nd: \$75; 3rd: \$50

Each Grade 9-12: 1st: \$150; 2nd: \$100; 3rd: \$75



Send entries to: LISD Admin. Center
Attention: K. Kaye Nyquist Rm 209

Deadline: Friday December 09, 2022

The winners will be recognized and their prizes awarded at the Dr. King Celebration event on **MONDAY January 16, 2023 at 6:00 PM** at Lewisville HS Auditorium 1098 W. Main St.

Questions: email info@MLKofNorthTexas.org or Dr. Davoodi's office 972- 410-3682.

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Additional Rules:

DISQUALIFICATION POLICY: A Contest Entry that does not meet the MLK Contest criteria will be disqualified.

DAMAGE OR LOSS POLICY: While every effort will be made to prevent damage to the entries, neither LISD nor the Contest Organizers will be held responsible for the theft, loss or damage.

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