

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION
MINORITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ESSAY AND POSTER *CONTEST RULES*

The MLK essay and poster contest are open to all Prince George's County Public School students in grades three through twelve (3rd-12th). **Three winning essays and three winning posters** will be selected. **Each winner will receive \$150.00. Each 2nd place winner will receive \$75.00. Each 3rd place winner will receive \$50. A total of twelve prizes will be given.**

ESSAY CONTEST RULES

1. The essay must be at least 150 words, but shall not exceed 250 words.
2. Entries must be typed and double-spaced.
3. Only one entry per student will be considered.
4. All contestants must write their essays on the following topic:
 - **How would Martin Luther King respond to people 'taking a knee' during the singing of the National Anthem?**
5. All entries become the property of the Prince George's County Educators' Association (PGCEA) including the right to reproduce them. Winners will be contacted by telephone or mail.
6. All essay entries must include the attached entry form, or you may request an entry form by calling the PGCEA office at 301-736-2700. Entries submitted without the required entry form will not be accepted. The contest entry form must be signed by one of the following: ***Reading/English/Language Arts Teachers, Classroom Teacher, Reading Specialist, Professional School Counselor, or TAG Coordinator***
7. Essays will be judged on originality of thought and clarity of message. They will be judged by members of the Minority Affairs Committee. Decision of the judges will be final.
8. All entries must be sent to PGCEA via U.S. mail. Entries must be ***postmarked no later than December 13, 2018.*** Entries postmarked after **December 13, 2018** will be returned to the student. Entries delivered by the PONY will not be accepted.
9. Mail entries early.

POSTER CONTEST RULES

1. All poster entries should be: 18"X 24".
2. **Poster contestants will choose a Martin Luther King, Jr. quote to illustrate and bring to life. The quote should appear on the poster.**
3. Only one entry per student will be considered.
4. All entries become the property of the Prince George's County Educators' Association (PGCEA) including the right to reproduce them. Winners will be contacted by telephone or mail.
5. All ***poster*** entries must include the attached entry form, or you may request an entry form by calling the PGCEA office at 301-736-2700. Entries submitted without the required entry form will not be accepted. The contest entry form must be signed by one of the following: ***Art Teacher, TAG Coordinator, Classroom Teacher, Professional School Counselor or Reading/Language Arts /English Teachers or Reading Specialists***
6. ***Posters*** will be judged on creativity and originality. They will be judged by members of the Minority Affairs Committee. The decision of the judges will be final.
7. All entries must be delivered to: PGCEA, 8008 Marlboro Pike, Forestville, Maryland 20747. Entries must be delivered ***no later than December 13, 2018.***
8. Please deliver Poster entries as early as possible

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DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ESSAY AND POSTER ENTRY FORM

For

THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION

JANUARY 17, 2019

PLEASE SELECT YOUR ENTRY. YOU MAY ONLY CHOOSE ONE.

ESSAY CONTEST

POSTER CONTEST

ESSAY TOPIC FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES THREE THROUGH TWELVE:

- How would Martin Luther King respond to people 'taking a knee' during the singing of the National Anthem?

POSTER TOPIC FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES THREE THROUGH TWELVE:

Choose a Martin Luther King, Jr. quote and bring it to life. The quote should appear on the poster.

Student's Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Parent's Name and Signature _____

School _____ School Phone # _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

School Principal _____

This form must be signed by one of the following:

Classroom Teacher, English/Reading/Language Arts Teacher, Reading Specialist, Professional School Counselor or Tag Coordinator

Signed by: _____ Title _____

All entries must be *postmarked* or *delivered* by **December 13, 2018**. Photocopies of this form are acceptable. Mail the essay entries to: **PGCEA, 8008 Marlboro Pike, Forestville, Maryland 20747**. *Deliver poster* entries to same address. **PONY delivered entries will not be accepted**. PGCEA Office Telephone: 301-736-2700; contact person: **Devin Nixon, Dnixon@pgcea.org** or **Adrienne Parks, Aparks@pgcea.org**.