

Celebrating the 9th Annual MLK Essay Contest

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Sacramento 2022 Essay Contest

Open to Middle and High School Students Throughout
Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, El Dorado, and Sutter Counties

High School Division

1st Place: \$500
2nd Place: \$300
3rd Place: \$200

Middle School Division

1st Place: \$250
2nd Place: \$150
3rd Place: \$100

2022 MLK Essay Topics

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. worked tirelessly to create positive change for the African American community and all people. His work and words proved that we are all connected and have the ability to control our own destiny.

Please choose one of the following current event topics for your essay.

Option 1

More than 30 states introduced legislation that suppresses voting rights. Describe your reaction to this and tell what affect the laws might have on voting.

Option 2

Describe how COVID 19 has positively or negatively impacted your education.

Option 3

In June of this year, President Biden signed legislation to make Juneteenth a federal holiday. Describe what this means to you.

Essays will be judged on creativity, clarity, content, coherence and adherence to theme.

Winning essays will be published on the MLK Celebration Sacramento website and recognized as part of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration event on February 5, 2022.

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Submission Deadline

Monday,
December 22, 2021
at 5 pm

500 Word Limit

Email Submission Preferred

Send as an attachment in
MS WORD or PDF format to
mlkessaycontestsac@gmail.com

Or Via US Mail

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Contest Rules

- Winners will be chosen from two categories, middle school and high school, who attend school in Sacramento, Yolo, Placer, El Dorado and Sutter Counties.
- The essay must consist of no more than 500 words.
- Entries must be on 8½" x 11" white background, double spaced and typed using a 12pt. font.
- Only one entry per student.
- All entries **MUST** include a cover page with student's first and last name, grade level, full school name, school district, home address and contact phone number.

For complete essay rules and details, visit mlkcelebrationsacramento.org