NORTH CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Presents the

31ST Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
ESSAY & POETRY CONTEST

THEME:
“ADVANCING THE DREAM”

PRIZES
PRESCHOOL - GRADE 5
1ST PLACE $25.00
2ND PLACE $25.00
3RD PLACE $25.00

WHEN?
Wednesday, January 15, 2014
FOR
6 PM – 8:30 PM

Thursday, January 16, 2014
FOR

Preschool to 4th Grade

WHERE?
KING COMMUNITY CENTER
725 Monte Diablo Avenue
San Mateo, CA 94401
(650) 522-7470

5th Grade to 12th Grade

ART
ONLY FOR
Grades 9-12

PRIZES
(GRADE 6 - 9)
1ST PLACE $100.00
2ND PLACE $75.00
3RD PLACE $50.00

PRIZES
(GRADE 10 – 12)
1ST PLACE $150.00
2ND PLACE $100.00
3RD PLACE $75.00

WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

Registration Forms are available at the King Center, your schools, or church

REGISTRATION DEADLINE- FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2014 AT 5:00 PM

Registration Forms should be mailed or dropped off at the King Community Center

AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2014 from 1 PM – 3 PM

For more information call 650-522-7470
NORTH CENTRAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ESSAY AND POETRY CONTEST

JANUARY 2014

CONTEST RULES

THEME: “ADVANCING THE DREAM”

1. Eligibility: Students from preschool through high school enrolled in the San Mateo/Foster City School Districts, private schools in San Mateo/Foster City and churches/residents in the City of San Mateo.

2. Each entry must be prepared in accordance with the current rules and must be accompanied by an Official Entry Form. Entries must be received by 5 PM, FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2014

3. Entries maybe submitted by a student or classroom teacher. The student’s classroom teacher or department chairperson name must appear on the entry form in the event that information on the form needs to be clarified.

4. Students are encouraged to SUBMIT NO MORE THAN (1) ONE original work. If a student uses non-original material the author must be properly noted. The contest will be of an oratorical or recital nature.

5. An essay (250 words or more) or poem (12 lines or more) may be entered for students in Grade 5 through Grade 12. A short story (50 words or more) or poem (4 lines or more) may be entered for Preschool through Grade 4 students.

6. Manuscripts may be submitted for only one category. Only original copies of manuscript can be submitted. Carbon copies, ditto, photocopies, or other duplications are not acceptable.

7. Each manuscript may be typed or handwritten on 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper. Preschool through Grade 2 students may use primary ruled or unlined paper. Manuscripts typed must be double-spaced and handwritten papers should skip every other line. Leave margins of at least 1 inch on both the left and right sides of the paper.

8. The time limit for oral presentation for Preschool through Grade 5 is 3 minutes. The time limit for Grade 6 through Grade 12 is 5 minutes. YOU WILL BE PENALIZED IF YOU EXCEED THE TIME LIMIT.

9. ART FOR 9TH GRADE THROUGH 12TH GRADE ONLY!

JUDGING

1. Entries will be divided into categories (essay or poetry) and appropriate age groups.

2. All winners will receive cash awards.

3. Contest judging will take place at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 725 Monte Diablo Avenue, San Mateo, CA

4. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2014 from 6-8:30 PM for Preschool through Grade 4, and THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014 from 6-8:30 PM Grade 5 through Grade 12. YOU MUST PRESENT YOUR ESSAY/POEM AT THE CONTEST IN ORDER TO WIN A PRIZE.

5. All decisions of the judges are final.

6. All entries become the property of the North Central Neighborhood Association.

PLEASE COME TO THE AWARD CEREMONY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 18, 2014 AT 1:00 – 3:00 PM.
OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

DEADLINE: 5:00 PM FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2014 ONE ORIGINAL ENTRY ONLY

ESSAY ☐ POETRY ☐ ART ☐

STUDENT: ____________________________ AGE: _____ GRADE: _____
(Please Print Clearly)

HOME ADDRESS: ________________________________________________
(Number and Street)

PHONE: ____________________________
(City) (Zip Code)

PARENT/GUARDIAN ____________________________________________

SCHOOL (Full Name) __________________________________________
SCHOOL ADDRESS ____________________________________________
SCHOOL PHONE NUMBER( ) ________________________________

TEACHER (Full Name) Dr. Mr. Ms. Mrs. Miss
(Please Circle One)

PRINCIPAL (Full Name) Dr. Mr. Ms. Mrs. Miss
(Please Circle One)

PLEASE MAIL TO OR DROP OFF AT: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center
725 Monte Diablo Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94401