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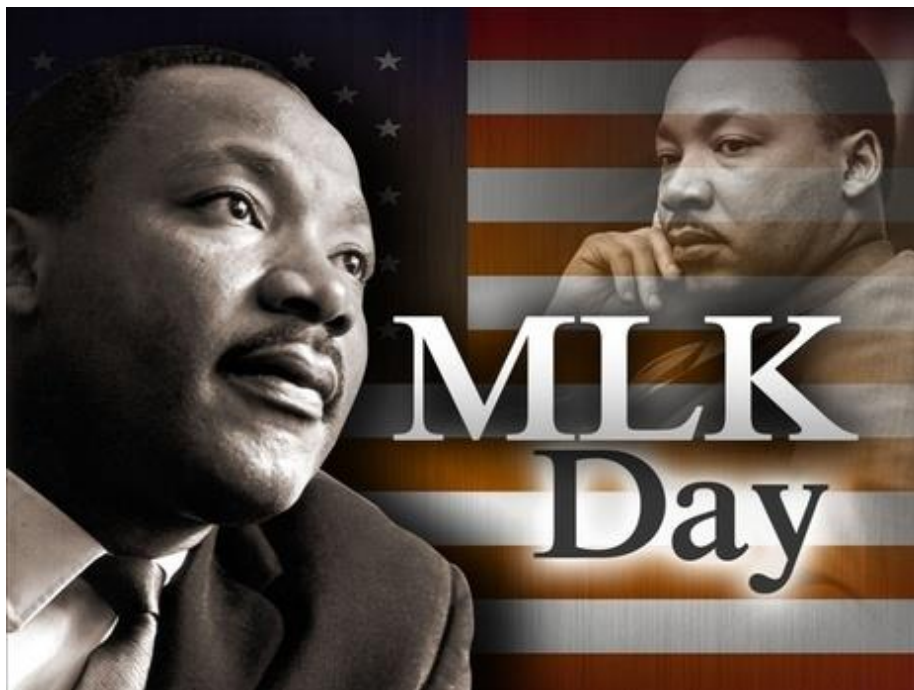
*Granville County Human
Relations Commission*



2017 Essay Contest

Celebrating the Life and Legacy of

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Background

The Granville County Human Relations Commission (GCHRC) exists to “facilitate the prevention and resolution of problems in areas affecting the human relations” of all citizens in and around Granville County. The primary objective of the Commission is “to encourage understanding and good will between all citizens regardless of race, sex, religion, creed, nationality or economic status”. Moving toward an environment of true understanding and appreciation of our similarities and our differences is the Commission’s goal.



To that mission, each year on the third Monday of January, the Granville County Human Relations Commission celebrates the life and the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with its Annual Fellowship Breakfast. In conjunction with the Fellowship Breakfast, again this year, the GCHRC is sponsoring a student essay contest.

Students will write their own “I Have A Dream” speech based on their research and life perspectives.

Contest Rules

- Essay Contest parameters include:
 - Open to students in grades 6 – 12
 - Students must be enrolled in a Granville County Middle and High School
 - An Entry form must be submitted with the essay
 - Students may submit only one essay and it must be the student's original work
 - Essays may NOT include photographs, images, illustrations, etc.
 - 450 word limit
 - Essay must be typed
 - **Entry deadline is November 18, 2016**
- Judging parameters include:
 - Content/Development: Addresses quote, essay organization, evidence to support position
 - Language & Mechanics: Standard English, Sentence structure, word choice, grammar

Prizes

Granville County Human Relations Commission 2017 MLK Essay Contest

Awards will be presented in two age groups: grades 6 - 8 and grades 9 – 12.

Grades 6th – 8th

1st Place: \$250.00

2nd Place: \$150.00

3rd Place: \$100.00

Grades 9th – 12th

1st Place: \$250.00

2nd Place: \$150.00

3rd Place: \$100.00

(NOTE: The above are prize values. Gifts and gift cards will be awarded)

Notification: Winners will be notified no later than **January 5th, 2017** and will receive their awards at the MLK Annual Fellowship Breakfast on Monday, January 16, 2017. The 1st place winners will read their essays as a part of the Fellowship program.

1st, 2nd and 3rd place essays will be published on the GCHRC website.

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Entry Form

The deadline for submission of the essay and this form is, **Friday, November 18th 2016.**

Student Name: _____

Home Address _____ **City/Zip** _____

Phone _____ **E-mail (if available)** _____

Parents Name: _____

Phone _____ **E-mail (if available)** _____

School _____ **Teacher (if applicable)** _____

By accepting a prize, winners grant the County of Granville and Granville County Human Relations Commission (GCHRC) the right to edit, publish, copy, display and otherwise use their entries in connection with this contest, and to further use their names, likenesses, and biographical information in advertising and promotional materials, without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law. No responsibility can be assumed for lost or late mail. Entries will not be returned.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ENTRY!

SUBMIT:

- **MAIL:** You can mail the form to the Granville County Human Relations Commission, c/o: Granville County Manager, P.O. Box 906; Oxford, NC 27565
- **E-MAIL:** You can request an electronic copy of the nomination form from: Patrice Wilkerson; County of Granville; Administrative Support Assistant/Deputy Clerk; at Patrice.Wilkerson@granvillecounty.org. Once completed please send the form back to Patrice at the above email address before the deadline.
- **QUESTIONS:** If you have questions, information is available online at <http://www.granvillenc.govoffice2.com/> or you can please contact Patrice Wilkerson at 919-603-1308.

The *Granville County Human Relations Commission*

Annual Fellowship Breakfast and Program, In memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will be held on **January 16th, 2017** at the Oxford Baptist Church; 147 Main Street; Oxford, NC

The program starts at 8 AM

Winning Essays will be awarded and read during the program