

2018 Black History Month Essay Competition Official Entry Form

OFFICIAL RULES

To participate in the contest, students must live, attend school, or be homeschooled in Broward County, grades 4-12. Essays must be legibly written, with good grammar and correct spelling. Essays must be student's original work and meet the following requirements:

- 1) Essays must be a minimum of 500 words, but no longer than 1,000 words.
- 2) Essays must be legible (either handwritten or typed; no cursive writing).
- 3) Entries must be accompanied with the Official Entry Form (on first page) completely filled out.
- 4) Entries must be received no later than 5PM on Friday, February 16, 2018 at the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, 2650 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311.

How to Win

Winning entries will be determined by evaluators from the Broward County African-American Research Library & Cultural Center and Broward County Schools subject specialists based on merit, originality, and message (including grammar and spelling). There will be one winner in each of three groups: Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9 and Grades 10-12. *Best Buy Davie Store* is sponsoring all prizes.

All entries must be submitted to the Broward County African-American Research Library and Cultural Center, Youth Services Section, by 5PM on Friday, February 16, 2018. Prizes will be awarded after the end of the contest period at the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center.

Limitations/Disqualification

In the event that the Broward County African-American Research Library and Cultural Center is unable to contact any of the winners by 5PM on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, another winner will be determined from all remaining eligible entry forms. Broward County Library is not responsible for any incomplete or illegible entry forms. No entries will be returned.

Publicity/Release – IMPORTANT!

By participating, all participants and winners grant Broward County Library exclusive permission to use their names, characters, photographs, voices, and likenesses in connection with the promotion of this and other contests and waive any claims to royalty, rights or remuneration for such use.

Prize Delivery – SAVE THE DATE

The prizes will be awarded in person at the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center at a special Awards Ceremony at 1PM on Saturday, February 24, 2018. Winners must show a valid ID such as a school photo identification card or recent report card.