



## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest

### PRIZES

#### High School:

1st place \$200  
2nd place \$150  
3rd place \$125

#### Middle School:

1st place \$150  
2nd place \$125  
3rd place \$75

### CONTEST RULES

- The contest is open to Howard County Middle School and High School student residents.
- Essays must be typed, double-spaced in Microsoft Word format.
- Middle School essays must be 500 to 750 words. High School essays must be 750 to 1000 words.
- Submissions must include student's name, address, phone number, school, grade, and email address.
- Essays must be submitted individually.
- Essays will be judged on content and connection to Dr. King's work, spelling, grammar and sentence structure.
- Students with disabilities may submit entries using other media and/or visual presentations.
- Winners will be featured in the HopeWorks magazine,'Cultivate' and on the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission website:<https://tinyurl.com/t4bd2ah>.

### DEADLINE:

- Essays must be received by December 30, 2019, 5:00 PM EST. Submissions may be emailed to [MLK@HOWARDCOUNTYMD.GOV](mailto:MLK@HOWARDCOUNTYMD.GOV) or delivered in person to Howard County Office of Human Rights at 9820 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 237, Columbia, MD 21046.

Prizes will be awarded at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration on Sunday, January 19, 2020 at 2:00 PM at Howard Community College Horowitz Visual & Performing Arts Center Smith Theatre  
10901 Little Patuxent Parkway  
Columbia, MD 21044