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SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS/APs/TEACHERS: Prize in Ethics Essay Contest Category: For Your Information

Audience: Principals/APs (Senior High), All Teachers

Due Date: n/a Meeting Date: n/a

Attachment(s): 8\_5x11\_Flyer\_2014\_High\_Schools\_v6.pdf

EWF\_Essay\_Contest\_Guidelines\_for\_MDCPS.pdf

To announce the Elie Wiesel Foundation's Prize in Ethics Essay Contest and scholarship award information sponsored by The Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Expo, Inc., the LRN Corporation, and The Betsy South Beach.

The Office of Academics and Transformation and the Elie Wiesel Foundation announce an Ethics Essay Contest open to senior high school juniors and seniors and scholarship award information provided by the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Expo, Inc., the LRN Corporation, and The Betsy South Beach. Please note the following specifics about the Prize in Ethics Essay Contest:

- Principals are highly encouraged to select a point person to take the lead to manage the essay contest at the school site.
- · The essay contest is open to juniors and seniors.
- Schools should conduct their own school site essay contests using the essay topic and guidelines
  in the attachments. Schools are highly encouraged to establish a school site deadline a week
  prior to the District deadline in order for all entries to be evaluated by school personnel.
- Schools must submit their school's winning essay on or before February 14, 2013 by 5:00 p.m. EST. Schools should use the following naming sequence to the electronic file of their wining student's essay: School's Name, Student's Name and upload the file to: <a href="http://www.entouragebox.com/u/dvOJ-Yz7zK-9FqYZuPre6V5OL">http://www.entouragebox.com/u/dvOJ-Yz7zK-9FqYZuPre6V5OL</a>.
- Please be sure to follow the guidelines for the essay contest. The guidelines are attached. Please be sure to address the essay topic that is outlined in the attached flyer.
- District winners will be chosen from school site submissions and announced at a special awards ceremony to be held March 10, 2014, at The Betsy South Beach. Ceremony information logistics will be forwarded to schools at a later date.
- The following scholarship prizes will be awarded. Please note: Winners must show proof of college or university registration to claim their prize money.
  - o First prize: \$3,000 scholarship
  - o Second prize: \$2,000 scholarship
  - o Third prize: \$1,000 scholarship
  - o Four honorable mentions: \$250 scholarship each
- Attached to this briefing are flyers that can be posted throughout schools to encourage student participation and essay guidelines. Please note: the essay prompt is included in the flyer.
- Should you need additional information or have questions, please contact Robert C. Brazofsky, Executive Director, Department of Social Sciences, <a href="mailto:rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net">rbrazofsky@dadeschools.net</a> or Ms. Karen Spigler, Administrative Director, Department of Language Arts/Reading, <a href="mailto:kspigler@dadeschools.net">kspigler@dadeschools.net</a>, or see the contact number below.

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