

Dear Florida Educator,

Your school is invited to participate in the annual Holocaust Reflection Contest hosted by Nova Southeastern University in greater Fort Lauderdale. This initiative, which is sponsored by the Holocaust Learning and Education Fund, Inc., is an opportunity for Florida middle and high school students to incorporate the timeless wisdom and lessons of Holocaust survivors into your curriculum.

The contest, which is sponsored by the Holocaust Learning and Education Fund, Inc., is now in its fifth year. During the past few years, Florida students have submitted thousands of thoughtful and creative entries in the following three categories: original essays or poems, visual art projects, and films. To view past winning entries, visit us online.

2018–2019 HOLOCAUST REFLECTION CONTEST

PARTICIPATING STUDENTS WILL

- read and review documented survivor testimonials (accessible on our website)
- identify a single testimonial that inspires them
- reflect on this piece of history, what it means to them, and how they can apply this insight in making their own daily life choices
- create an original piece that reflects how the Holocaust testimonial they've studied has affected them personally

CONTEST CATEGORIES

Each student can submit a maximum of one entry in one or more of the three categories:
essay or poem | visual art piece | short film

PRIZES*

In March 2019, the winning students and their families are invited to attend a weekend of activities at the Fort Lauderdale/Davie Campus of Nova Southeastern University. Activities include dinner and a private tour of the Craig and Barbara Weiner Holocaust Reflection Resource Center, as well as an awards ceremony and reception. The winning students' teachers and principals also are invited to attend the awards ceremony and reception.

First Place in Each of the Three Categories (Six winners will be selected: Three in middle school and three in high school.)

- \$1,000 to be awarded to each winning student
- \$500 to be awarded to each winning student's teacher
- \$500 to be awarded to each winning student's school

Second Place in Each of the Three Categories (Six second-place prizes will be awarded: Three in middle school and three in high school.)

- \$250 to be awarded to each winning student

All students who enter the contest will receive a Certificate of Participation.

Contest entries will be accepted December 3, 2018–January 21, 2019. Students are required to submit their entries using our online application. Parent Release Forms are also required for each student.

A poster has been included in this mailing for display in your classroom. Additional classroom resources are available for print from our website. Please email holocaustessay@nova.edu if you have any questions or would like to be removed from our mailing list.

Visit the Holocaust Reflection Contest website at nova.edu/holocaustcontest to learn more.

Thank you,

Holocaust Reflection Contest Planning and Steering Committee

* Based on the discretion of the contest planning and steering committee, the number of prizes may be altered due to the quantity and quality of the entries.