



2012 BLACK HISTORY MONTH ESSAY CONTEST



*"Each person must live their life as a model for others."
~Rosa Parks*

Young writers who are inspired by a noteworthy African American Figure are invited to enter the 2012 Black History Month Essay Contest.

Examples of some noteworthy African American figures are Dr. M.L. King, Jr., Rosa Parks, Maya Angelou, Oprah Winfrey, Muhammad Ali, Barack Obama and Michael Jordan

Essay contest winners will have the opportunity to receive public recognition for their essays at a ceremonial event and will also have their names mentioned in the newspaper. A panel of judges will appoint one winner for each grade level. Each winner will be awarded an award plaque along with a gift card.

Essay Topic:

"Explore the legacy of a notable African American figure, write about how this legacy relates to you and what you can do with it"

Legacy is defined as "anything handed down from the past as from an ancestor or predecessor."

Contest Guidelines:

- Contest categories by grade are: 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th.
- Each entry must be accompanied by an official contest entry form stapled to the essay
- Submissions may be in essay or poetry form and should not exceed one page. Do not write names on essays.
- Essays may be typed or handwritten, but MUST be legible. Illegible essays will be disqualified.
- Each student may submit only one entry, and each entry must be the original work of only one student. .
- Essays may be electronically submitted (along with an entry form to sheikah@ahuw.org) or sent to the Arrowhead United Way office.
- Entries submitted after the deadline will not be considered in the competition.
- Entries will not be returned
- All essays must be the original work of the student whose name is listed on the submission form. Plagiarism will result in immediate disqualification.

Winners will be selected according to the following criteria:

- Originality
- Relevancy to theme
- Effective expression

To Apply:

Contest deadline Monday February 13, 2012

Submit entries to:

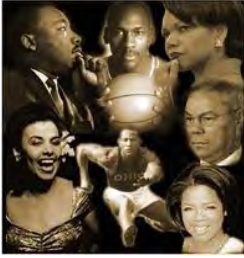
Arrowhead United Way 646 North D. Street San Bernardino CA 92401 or email sheikah@ahuw.org

Contact Sheika Hurd at (909) 884-9441 with questions.

Winners will be notified by phone.



Arrowhead United Way



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Official Entry Form

DEADLINE:

February 13, 2012

To:

Arrowhead United Way

646 North D. Street

San Bernardino CA 92401

Or email them to sheikah@ahuw.org

STUDENT INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Please Note: All information provided here will be kept in confidence by Arrowhead United Way

Student Name: _____

Student Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Grade Level: (*Circle one only*)

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School Name: _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone Number: _____

Principal Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

Teacher Email Address: _____

Please attach this sheet to your essay

