



Official Essay Entry Form
Nevada Middle School 2026 Essay
Contests In Celebration of: Black History
Month February 1 - February 28th
6th -8th Grade

Please type or print legibly.

Student Information:

Full Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____
 School Name: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian Information:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) - _____ - _____

Certification and Permission to Participate

I attest that the accompanied essay is the original work of my child, _____
Print child's full name

I certify that the essay submitted is my child's original work and that my child meets all eligibility requirements as listed on this form and in the OFFICIAL NEVADA MIDDLE SCHOOL 2026 ESSAY CONTESTS RULES to participate in the Nevada Middle School 2026 Essay Contests. As such, I give permission for him or her to participate in the Nevada Middle School 2026 Essay Contests. I hereby grant full permission to the Nevada State Treasurer's Office, College Savings Division, KCEP Radio, and their affiliates (the "Contest Entities") to use any photographs, videotapes, website images, recordings, or any other record of this event. I agree that information above is accurate to the best of my knowledge and may be used to send me additional information about the Nevada State Treasurer's Office, College Savings Division programs. I understand that the entry must include a completed Official Essay Entry Form to be eligible to participate in this contest. I have carefully read the OFFICIAL NEVADA MIDDLE SCHOOL 2026 ESSAY CONTESTS RULES* and fully understand and agree to all contest rules and guidelines. Students who do not complete all components will not be considered a participant of the contest. Contest winners will receive a \$250, \$500, or \$1,000 scholarship in the form of a Future Path 529 Plan account, and I understand that if my child wins this contest, I will need to open an account in my name and name the child as beneficiary.

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Eligibility Checklist:

1. Compose an original essay of no longer than 250 words describing a African American hero who has been influential in history, our community, or in the culture.
2. Student must be in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.
3. Student must reside in the state of Nevada.
4. Essay must be submitted with the completed Official Essay Entry Form signed by a parent or legal guardian.
5. All entries must be **received no later than 5pm PST on February 28, 2026** or **postmarked by no later than February 28, 2026.**
6. Essay formatting strictly enforced:
 - Essay must be in English only.
 - Essay must be typed using 12pt Times New Roman font; handwritten essays will be automatically disqualified.
 - Essay at the must include title centered on the top page.
 - The Entrant's first and last name must be on the top right corner listed below the title.
 - Essay must be double spaced.
 - File must be a PDF if submitting via e-mail.
 - If any outside sources were used, they must be properly cited on a separate references page to avoid plagiarism.

How to Submit:

By Mail:

Mail in your typed essay and Official Essay Entry Form to:

Power 88 KCEP-FM
Middle School 2026 Essay Contests
350 W. Washington Ave, Suite #125
Las Vegas, Nevada 89106

By Email:

Send email with attached essay and Official Essay Entry Form to: kcepcultureessays@gmail.com

***The Nevada Middle School 2026 Essay Contests features 4 essay contests that will be offered throughout 2026. Contests will open in February, May, September, and November and close at the end of each month listed, with each having a different topic/ theme. Visit www.Power88lv.com for Official Contest Rules.**