



Essay **CONTEST** for Grades 8-12
Students in the Greater Petersburg Area
Sponsored by Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated

“African Americans in Times of War”

January 9, 2018

To all interested grades 8-12 teachers and students:

February marks the celebration of **African American History Month**. Throughout the 28 days of February, Petersburg (VA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated will be celebrating a variety of programs and services and will offer ways for students to get involved and learn more about African American History.

Petersburg (VA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated would like to provide a special opportunity for youth to participate in the celebration. We are sponsoring an essay contest for grades 8-12 students. The theme of the contest is “African Americans in Times of War.” Entrants must submit their essay in typed, double spaced word format. The submission deadline is Friday, February 16, 2018.

Winners and participants will be contacted the week of February 19th. Also, Petersburg (VA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated will recognize all participants, including the top three essays, at the Presentations & Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 6:00 PM, Petersburg Public Library. The flyer listing essay guidelines to post and share with students, families and the community is included. Email Dr. Kimberly Hollemon at akahollemon@gmail.com or call 804-931-1443 with any questions about the contest.

Thank you for encouraging your students to get involved! A member of our chapter will pick up entries Friday, February 16, 2018, by 3:00 p.m. We look forward to sharing this event with you.

Best regards,

Rose Muse, President
Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated

Dr. Kimberly W. Hollemon, Project Manager
Petersburg (VA) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated

STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

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Important Information

1. The Essay Contest begins January 16, 2018 and ends February 16, 2018.
2. Eligibility - (Students grades 8-12 in the Greater Petersburg Area).
3. Cover page with student's name, grade, age and school - 500 words minimum, must be typed and double spaced.
4. Entire document must be placed in a sealed envelope and essay must be submitted to the School's Librarian or the Children's Librarian at the Petersburg Public Library by February 16, 2018.
5. **First Prize** (\$100.00), **Second Prize** (\$75.00) and **Third Prize** (\$50.00).
6. All participants will receive recognition for participating at the Presentations & Awards Ceremony, February 28, 2018, 6:00PM, Petersburg Public Library.
7. Additional Information: Email: Dr. Kimberly Holleman, akahollemon@gmail.com

Essay Theme

"African Americans in Times of War"



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