



**FIRST ANNUAL TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION
YOUTH ESSAY/DRAWING CONTEST
THEME: "GREATNESS IS BEFORE OUR EYES"**

THE NAVAJO PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT-SPECIAL EVENTS SECTION IS SPONSORING AN ESSAY CONTEST TO SHOWCASE THE FIRST ANNUAL TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION FOR ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS THROUGHOUT THE NAVAJO NATION.

THE TARGETED GOAL OF THIS CONTEST IS TO PROMOTE THE GOAL OF THE SPECIAL EVENTS SECTION BY ENCOURAGING OUR YOUTH TO LEARN ABOUT DINE' HISTORY AND THE IMPORTANT SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TREATY OF 1868. ESSAY & DRAWING CONTEST WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED MAY 19, 2010.

ELIGIBILITY:

THE TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION ESSAY CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL TO HIGH SCHOOL. THE SUBJECT OF THE ESSAY/DRAWING MUST BE RELATED TO THE TREATY OF 1868 OR TOWARDS THE TREATY DAYS THEME, "GREATNESS IS BEFORE OUR VERY EYES" AND MUST BE THE CONTESTANT'S ORIGINAL WORK. (A CONTESTANT NEED NOT BE OF DINE' HERITAGE TO ENTER THE CONTEST.)

CATEGORIES:

WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- MIDDLE SCHOOL...6TH THRU 8TH GRADE.
- HIGH SCHOOL...9TH THRU 12TH GRADE.

TOPICS:

ESSAY/DRAWING TOPICS MAY INCLUDE ANY ASPECTS OF DINE TREATY OF 1868 OR DINE' HERITAGE INCLUDING:

- HISTORICAL ANALYSIS OF THE NAVAJO TREATY OF 1868
- "GREATNESS IS BEFORE OUR VERY EYES"

ESSAY REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH CATEGORY ARE LISTED ON THE CONTEST INFORMATION AND ENTRY FORM. THE CONTESTANT'S NAME SHOULD BE ON THE ENTRY FORM ONLY AND SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON THE ESSAY (DOUBLE-SPACE, TIMES ROMAN FONT, MINIMUM 1,000 WORDS.)

DEADLINE: MAY 17, 2010.

JUDGING CRITERIA:

ENTRIES ARE JUDGED SOLELY ON THE QUALITY OF RESEARCH AND THE WRITING STYLE OF THE ENTRY. ALL ENTRIES WILL BE SUBMITTED TO A PANEL OF JUDGES, WHO COMPLETE A SCORING CARD FOR EACH ENTRY. SCORES WILL BE TALLIED TO DETERMINE CONTEST WINNERS. CRITERIA FOR JUDGING INCLUDE HISTORICAL ACCURACY, CLARITY, AND ORIGINALITY OF THOUGHT, CREATIVITY, AND STYLE.

CONTEST RULES

*CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

*CONTEST PARTICIPANT MUST BE ENROLLED FULL-TIME IN SCHOOL DURING THE TIME OF ENTRY

*AN OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM MUST ACCOMPANY THE ESSAY

AWARDS:

WINNERS IN EACH CATEGORY WILL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING:

MIDDLE SCHOOL: FIRST PLACE: TROPHY AND \$150.00; SECOND PLACE: RUNNER-UP TROPHY AND \$100.00

HIGH SCHOOL: FIRST PLACE: TROPHY AND \$150.00; SECOND PLACE: RUNNER-UP TROPHY AND \$100.00

AS PART OF THE TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION; ALL CONTEST PARTICIPANT'S CONSENT THAT IF SELECTED AS CONTEST WINNERS; WINNING ESSAYS OR DRAWINGS MAY BE PUBLISHED ON PROMOTIONAL OR MARKETING MATERIALS AND/OR ELECTRONICALLY ON THE NPRD WEBSITE. ALL ENTRIES WILL BECOME PROPERTY OF THE TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION UPON WRITTEN RELEASE BY CONTESTANT(S).

TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION ESSAY CONTEST – OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE LEVEL: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

SCHOOL PHONE: _____

NAME OF SPONSORING TEACHER (IF ANY – NOT REQUIRED): _____

TRIBE AFFILIATION: _____

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORSHIP

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM THE SOLE AUTHOR OF THE ATTACHED ENTRY TO THE 2010 *TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION ESSAY CONTEST* (THE “ESSAY”) AND THAT IN WRITING MY ESSAY; I HAVE NOT PLAGIARIZED OR OTHERWISE INFRINGED UPON THE RIGHTS OF ANY THIRD PARTIES.

(SIGNATURE OF STUDENT) (DATE)

SUBMIT TWO COPIES OF YOUR ESSAY AND THIS ENTRY FORM BY MAIL TO:

2010 *TREATY DAYS CELEBRATION ESSAY CONTEST*

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