



Annual "Respect Life" Art, Essay & Poetry Contest

GRADES 9-12 POSTMARK DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, FEB. 23, 2024

Cash Prize Levels: 1st Place-\$100 2nd Place-\$75 3rd Place-\$50 Honorable Mention-\$25
There may be multiple winners in each category.

STUDENTS MAY SUBMIT ENTRIES FOR MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY. [QUESTIONS:](#) 216-661-6616

*** PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF YOUR ENTRY OR SAVE IT ON YOUR COMPUTER. ***

AN ENTRY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR PLAGIARISM (COPYING FROM ANY SOURCE).

The following MUST be included on the front of essay or poem and on the back of artwork:

Word count (essay) Line count (poetry) Student name & grade School name & address (Please print NEATLY)

For prompt notification of winner: Principal & Teacher's names & e-mails Homeschool parent's phone & e-mail

Mail or deliver entries to: LifeWorks Ohio 4429 State Road, Suite 23 Cleveland, OH 44109

All information is also online at www.LifeWorksOhio.org Please feel free to copy and share this flyer.

Entries become the property of Lifeworks Ohio, may be used in LifeWorks Ohio promotional materials, on website, etc. and will not be returned.

Contest judging results are confidential, and the winners will be contacted through their school administration.

HAND-DRAWN ART SIZE: 8.5 x 11 or larger, landscape orientation. **MUST** be original; no tracing.
Please do not use only pastel colors; some images might not be seen clearly.

DIGITAL ART SIZE: 8.5 x 11, landscape orientation. Must be original
Images used **MUST NOT** have a copyright. Use public domain/free sites.



THIS BIBLE VERSE MUST APPEAR WITHIN THE ART WORK; PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OTHERS:

"We must consider how to rouse one another to love and good works."

Hebrews 10:24

Students MUST depict only PEOPLE (not animals) AND "love and good works" to help them:

- * **expectant mother & preborn child**
- * **those involved in the adoption process**
- * **physically or mentally challenged person of any age**
- * **terminally ill person**



ONLY THIS BIBLE VERSE MUST APPEAR AS THE TITLE OF THE ESSAY OR POEM:

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ESSAYS: Must Be 550 – 600 words **Students may mention someone they know or read about.**

- **PLEASE APPLY THE BIBLE VERSE TO ONE OF THE TOPICS BELOW, AND WRITE ABOUT AT LEAST TWO OF THE STATEMENTS SHOWN WITH AN ASTERISK ***

- **IF MENTIONING FACTS OR STATISTICS, PLEASE INDICATE THE SOURCE IN PARENTHESIS AFTER THE STATEMENT.**

ABORTION * Why it is a serious moral issue * Its negative effects on women/men and the value of post-abortion care
 * The wonder of a baby's development in the womb * Define ultrasound and how it protects the preborn
 * Unexpected pregnancy; the value of adoption * Programs offered by Womankind, Birthright, Care Net, etc.

STEM CELL RESEARCH * What stem cells are, where they are found, and why are they important * The moral difference between using adult vs embryonic stem cells in research * Successful stem cell treatments

ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHANASIA * Explain these practices and how they violate God's law * Are either of them legal anywhere in the U.S., and particularly, in Ohio? * The value of the physically or medically challenged and how to assist them * What we can learn from the terminally ill, and how we can share God's love with them

POETRY: 16-20 lines; students may choose poetry style, for life-affirming poem. Choose from above topics/statements.