



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

2019 YMCA ESSAY CONTEST



The YMCAs of Monmouth County proudly celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at our 30th Annual Breakfast in his honor.

As part of this special occasion, we invite high school students involved in YMCA programs to participate in an essay contest. Two essays will be selected as grand prize winners. Winners will receive a \$500 scholarship for their education, generously donated by Hackensack Meridian *Health* and New Jersey Natural Gas, as well as a full-year youth membership to The Community YMCA or the YMCA of Western Monmouth County.

Winners and their parents/guardians will be invited to attend the 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast on Monday, January 21, 2019, 8-10 a.m. at Branches Catering in West Long Branch. The two winners will present their essays to our guests.



Hackensack
Meridian *Health*



How to apply:

Reflect on this question and express your thoughts in writing:

America is facing a social crisis. If Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. were alive today, in your own words, what do you think he would do to bring people together?

Submit a minimum of a 300 word essay in MLA format. Essays should not exceed 500 words (two pages) and any quotations or copyrighted material used must be identified properly. To participate, please complete the application on the reverse side and submit by Dec. 20, 2018 by 5 p.m., along with your essay. Successful candidates are selected on the basis of substantive quality of the response, the quality of the writing and originality.

THE COMMUNITY YMCA

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The Community YMCA is a cause-driven organization, serving the community through **Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility.**

Here for all. Financial assistance is offered based on availability of funds.

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2019 YMCA Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest Application

Name: _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Age: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

I am a member/participant of: _____ The Community YMCA _____ The YMCA of Western Monmouth County

I participate in the following Y Program(s): _____

Are you a member of a special club/group at your school? _____ Yes _____ No

If so, which one(s): _____

Do you play any sports? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, what sports? _____

What are your favorite hobbies? _____

Please list community and volunteer service projects that you have participated in:

Activity/Organization	Grade Participated	Leadership Position	Contact at Organization
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Please submit this application along with your essay, typed and double-spaced, by 5 p.m. on December 20, 2018 to:

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Or by e-mail to: MLKEssays@cymca.org