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For Middle and High Schools

2010-2011 Theme:

“Empathy: Walking in Another’s Shoes”

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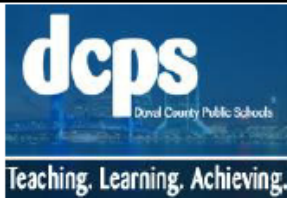


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AMITY TURKISH CULTURAL CENTER'S ANNUAL ART & ESSAY CONTEST

2010 -2011

Theme: "Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes"

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Dear Student,

Amity Turkish Cultural Center (ATCC) presents an exciting program for students and teachers in Jacksonville with the partnership of *Florida State College* (former *FCCJ*) and *Duval County Public Schools*. This program is geared towards an interdisciplinary approach to enhancing several core skills in students no matter what discipline they may study. These core competencies include, but are not limited to:

- Creative Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Creative expression through the visual arts
- Written and verbal expression through the Language Arts
- Interdisciplinary Studies

Middle and high-school students around the city of Jacksonville are invited to submit an original work of art and/or a written composition on the theme of "*Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes.*"

The above global, humanistic theme of the Annual Art and Essay Contest incorporates, but is not limited to, the following subjects:

- Social Studies,
- Visual Arts
- Culture
- Government
- Sociology
- Language Arts
- Economics
- International Affairs
- Political Science
- History

Program Participants: Students, teachers and the educational system that administers education for middle and high school age youth (Grades 6-12) in the Southeast, incorporating the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Tennessee.

Program Theme for 2010 -2011: "*Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes*"

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Program Scope: This year all the winner submissions in Jacksonville will compete in state wide contest and then winners of the FL state will compete in the southeastern regional contest including the states of GA, AL, SC, FL, and TN.

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2010-2011 Theme: "Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes"

ART & ESSAY CONTEST BRAINSTORMING WORKSHEET

Please feel free to use this worksheet of questions to brainstorm your project. Please refer to the UNAOC's website at www.unaoc.org for additional information.

When planning your submission(s), it is important to think about the theme, "*Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes*" in many different ways. Try to think about the following ...

When you see a person walking down the street, or a new kid getting on the bus, what is your first reaction towards him or her? What may be any judgments or assumptions you may subconsciously be making about that person? Why?

Who are the people or students around me? Do I know enough about them to imagine what it would be like to walk in their shoes?

Do I know their "stories"- their journeys in life? Do I understand where they used to live and what they want to do next?

What cultures do I see around me?

What parts of other cultures do I understand? What do I not understand?

What is the hardest thing my classmates have to deal with? Do I see it? Hear them talking about it? Why is it hard for them? Is there anything comparable in my own life that is as difficult as what they may have to go through every day?

What makes my neighbors and peers happy? Why?

Do these same things make me happy? Are the same things hard for me to deal with?

What are good ways to show empathy? How does it feel when somebody else shows me empathy?

What is the difference between feeling 'empathy' and feeling 'sympathy'?

What is a time when I showed empathy to someone around me, and what happened?

Why does it matter whether or not I try to understand the people around me?

How would the world be different if everybody practiced empathy?

The theme of "*Empathy: Walking in Another's Shoes*" means much more than thinking that one knows what other people go through every day. When composing your work, feel free to be creative. Just remember that whatever type of submission you choose, you want to create a work that makes the reader think and realize the theme and why it is important to consider in today's global context.

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Consent Form to Enter *Amity Turkish Cultural Center's* Art Contest

We, _____ (print student name) and
_____ (print teacher name) would like to enter
Amity Turkish Cultural Center's Art Contest by submitting a work of art. We are aware and accept the rules and stipulations of the Art Contest. We acknowledge that the student's submission(s) is/are by that student only. Both my teacher and I understand that should we win places 1st, 2nd, or 3rd that it may qualify us to go to Turkey under the auspices of Amity Turkish Cultural Center and its partners/co-sponsors. We are advised that the nature of the trip to Turkey is to promote cross-cultural understanding among people of all backgrounds. We are also advised that during much of the trip, the schedule may be demanding, but highly rewarding. Due to the responsibilities of representing my school and country abroad, I acknowledge that should I win the trip to Turkey, I will conduct myself as an ambassador of my school and country. My parent(s) also acknowledge(s) that we are entering the Art Contest.

Student

Teacher

Parent Signature/Legal Guardian

Date

AWARDS

JACKSONVILLE CONTEST:

- The Award Ceremony will take place on Friday, **January 14, 2011** at 7:00 pm at **The Nathan H. Wilson Center for the Arts**.
- **Each category (Art, Essay) in each level (Middle, High) will have 10 awards for the students and 1 award for the sponsoring teacher. This means ATCC will distribute 44 awards in total.**
- These are the awards per each category (Art Middle, Art High, Essay Middle, and Essay High):

1st Place: Apple iPad Computer (Student and Teacher)

2nd Place: \$200 Gift Card (Student)

3rd Place: \$100 Gift Card (Student)

4th Place: \$75 Gift Card (Student)

5th Place: \$50 Gift Card (Student)

6th through 10th Places: \$25 Gift Card (Student)

Every Student: Certificate of Participation

SOUTHEASTERN CONTEST:

- The Awards Ceremony of the Southeastern-wide Contest will take place on March 25th, 2011 at 3:00 pm in the auditorium of Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA.
- Please be advised that students and teachers who have participated in the trips to Turkey as past winners of the Contest are ineligible to go again. The cash awards will still be applicable to anyone, including second-time winners. If the sponsoring teacher of a first-time winning student has previously participated in our trips to Turkey, that student should choose a different teacher to travel with him or her to Turkey.
- If any student is **not** able to participate in the Trip to Turkey, his or her sponsoring teacher will no longer be eligible for inclusion in the awarded trip to Turkey.
- Parents are not permitted to replace teachers unable to go on the trip nor to participate in the trip to Turkey.
- These are the awards per each category (Art Middle, Art High, Essay Middle, and Essay High):

1st Place: All-Expenses-Paid Trip to Turkey for 10 days (Student, Teacher and Superintendent) *

2nd Place: Trip to Turkey (All-Expenses-Paid except for international airfare to and from Istanbul, Turkey (Student, Teacher and Superintendent)) plus a \$500 gift card (Teacher will get \$250) **

3rd Place: Trip to Turkey (All-Expenses-Paid except for international airfare to and from Istanbul, Turkey (Student, Teacher and Superintendent)) plus a \$300 gift card (Teacher will get \$150) ****

4th Place: \$200 gift card (Teacher will get \$100)

5th Place: \$150 gift card (Teacher will get \$75)

6th through 10th Places: \$100 gift card (Teacher will get \$50)

*The estimated value of the 1st Place Trip is \$4,500.00. This includes roundtrip international airfare, accommodation, transportation, food, admission fees to sites, etc.

**The estimated value of either the 2nd or the 3rd Place Trip is \$3,500.00. For these awards, round-trip airfare to and from Istanbul, Turkey shall not be included. Istanbul Center's partnering organizations in Turkey will meet the expenses of accommodation, transportation, food, admission fees to museums, etc. – all of which, when combined, are the more costly parts of arranging the trips. Fundraising help with your international airfare can be found at www.istanbulcenter.org/contest.

- **Note:** Students and accompanying adults must pay and arrange for their visa and passport fees and personal expenses.
- Please note that estimated international airfare to and from Istanbul, Turkey is between \$800.00 and \$1,300.00.

ART CONTEST RULES

- Grades 6, 7 and 8 will compete in the Middle School Category. Grades 9- 12 will compete in the High School Category.
- Artwork can be submitted in virtually any media, including the following subcategories:
 - Drawing,
 - Painting
 - Collage
 - Photography
 - Graphic Design
- Students may only submit one (1) piece of artwork (in any medium) within the art section. Students who submit work in the art section are still allowed 1 submission in the essay section.
- All artwork must be two-dimensional.
- Each submission must include a completed Consent Form (Addendum 8) signed by the student, sponsoring teacher, and at least one (1) parent or legal guardian.
- All artworks must include an “Artist’s Statement” on the back of each work (No longer than 200 words).
- Each submission must include, on the back of the piece:
 - Student’s Name
 - Grade
 - School
 - City
 - State
 - Sponsoring Teacher's Name
 - Sponsoring Teacher's E-mail
 - District Superintendent’s Name
- Artwork must be original, unpublished, and done by one person.
- Submissions must be received no later than **December 3, 2010**.
- **General guidelines for all art submissions EXCEPT Photography and Graphic Design:**
 - Traditional media categories include *Drawing, Painting, and Collage*: Original work must be 15” x 20” which in turn needs to be *mounted* or *executed* (not matted) on illustration board of equal size.
 - All images must be two-dimensional, original, and not appropriated from any other resource unless dramatically altered.
- **General guidelines for Photography submissions:**
 - Photography work – includes color and black & white: approximately 8.5” by 11” photo paper.
 - Please do NOT frame and do NOT mount photography submissions.
- **General guidelines for Graphic Design submissions:**
 - Graphic design work is defined as the use of computer media and innovative computer applications in art.
 - Original artwork must be 8.5”x11” only, and must be *mounted* on illustration board *that is also* 8.5”x11”.
 - Please do NOT matt graphic design work. Please only mount the 8.5”x11” piece on illustration board that is the same size as specified above.
- **DISQUALIFYING FACTORS:** Artwork may be disqualified automatically or receive lower scores if it lacks any of the above criteria. Please follow the directions for each submission.
- **For the Art Contest Rubric please see Addendum 1.**
- Artwork will be returned upon request after being exhibited. Please contact our center to arrange pickup.

- Participants consent to transfer copyrights of their artwork to ATCC.
- Please note that in the art section, if any one category does not receive enough submissions, ATCC reserves the right to not recognize any winners whatsoever in said category due to the lack of quality submissions in that category (as deemed by the professional judges).
- Submit the artwork to:
 - Amity Turkish Cultural Center Annual Art Contest**
 - 4540 Southside Blvd Suite 202**
 - Jacksonville, FL 32216**

ESSAY CONTEST RULES

- Grades 6, 7 and 8 will compete in the Middle School Category. Grades 9- 12 will compete in the High School Category.
- Essays must be original, unpublished, and written by one student.
- Each sponsoring teacher may not submit more than seventy five (75) essays in total.
- Each essay should be no more than 1000 words. Each essay should be written in Times New Roman font, size 12, and should not have any images in the document.
- Essays may be one of the following four types:
 - Persuasive Essay
 - Informative Essay
 - Narrative Story
 - True Story
- Students may only submit one (1) essay (in any category) within the Essay section. Students who submit work in the art section are still allowed 1 submission in the essay section.
- Entries must be received no later than **December 3, 2010**.
- **For the Essay Contest Rubric please see Addendum 2.**
- Participants consent to their essays being used and copied by ATCC for promotional and/or informational purposes.
- To submit your essay online, please go to our website www.atccenter.org/contest and follow the instructions. Please note that, **online submission is the only** acceptable method of submission and submissions via mail or email will **not** be accepted.
- **DISQUALIFYING FACTORS:** Essays may be disqualified automatically or receive lower scores if they lack any aforementioned criteria. Please follow the directions for each submission.
- Please check our website, at www.atccenter.org/contest for continuous updates.

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MANY THANKS FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!