

Senator Murphy invites you to take part in the

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ESSAY CONTEST



Senator Murphy is asking elementary, middle, and high school students from across Connecticut to help honor the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. by submitting essays that reflect on Dr. King's dream, their own aspirations, and the importance of what Dr. King means to them.

DUE DATE: JANUARY 5, 2024

ESSAYS CAN BE MAILED TO:

Office of Senator Murphy
120 Huyshope Avenue Suite 401
Hartford, CT 06106

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

MLK_Essay@murphy.senate.gov

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WRITING PROMPT:

Students must submit individual essays that reflect on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream and work towards equality. Students should provide their own aspirations, and the importance of what Dr. King means to them.

WORD COUNT GUIDELINES:

Elementary (K-5): 100-200

- Elementary students may submit essays with drawings or photos

Middle School (6-8): 300

High School (9-12): 500

Entries may be handwritten or drawn.

HOW TO SUBMIT ONLINE:

murphy.senate.gov/services/mlk-essay-contest

VIA MAIL:

Must include -

- Student's first and last name School address
- School name (no abbreviations)
- Grade and Teacher
- Parent's contact (phone and email)

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FAQs

What do you win?

Winning entries will be hung in the Senator's office. Students will be invited to join Senator Murphy for breakfast.

When are the winners announced?

Winners will be announced on MLK Day (Jan 15th). Schools will be notified directly if a student has won.

Can teachers submit their students' essays?

Yes. Teachers are welcome to scan entries to the above email address or mail them to the Senator's Hartford Office.

I am having technical difficulties with the online form.

Please contact us at the above email for alternate submission options.

Does the heading and title count towards my word count?

No, only the body of the essay does.