



# 29<sup>th</sup> Annual “Respect Life” Art, Essay & Poetry Contest

## **GRADES 4 - 8**

### **Cash Prize Levels:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place-\$60   2<sup>nd</sup> Place-\$35   3<sup>rd</sup> Place-\$25   Honorable Mention-\$15  
There may be multiple winners in each category.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ORIGINAL AND DONE BY THE STUDENT ALONE.  
STUDENTS MAY SUBMIT ENTRIES FOR MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY.  
**Entries must be POSTMARKED no later than February 10, 2017.**

This theme must appear either as the title of the essay or poem or appear in the text.  
It must also appear in the artwork:

**“Do to others whatever you would have them do to you.”**  
**Matthew 7:12**

Students should imagine themselves as someone in any of these situations:  
**expectant mother   preborn child   physically/mentally challenged person**  
**elderly person   terminally ill person**

Students should explain what they would need and how Christians can help and encourage them.  
**SEE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FLYER FOR ASSISTANCE.**  
**They may base their entry on one or more of these persons.**

**CLEARLY PRINT or TYPE the following on the front of essay/poem or on back of artwork:**

Student’s name & grade   School name & full address   Word count (essay)   Line count (poetry)  
Principal & Teacher names & e-mails - *to ensure prompt notification of winner*

**Home Schoolers:** School or family name, student name, grade, home address, phone number, and parent e-mail.

**ART and COMPUTER ART: Please submit permission for images with copyright.**

With the exception of Computer Art, all art must be original---tracing and collages are not permitted.

**SIZE OF ART ENTRY: Grades 4 - 8: 8.5 x 11**

**PLEASE NEATLY TYPE ENTRIES, FOLLOWING THE WORD OR LINE COUNT.**

**PLEASE BE POSITIVE AND LIFE-AFFIRMING!**

**ESSAYS: Grades 4 - 6: 250 – 275 words   Grades 7 - 8: 500 - 525 words**

**STUDENTS MAY CHOOSE THE POETRY STYLE TO USE.**

**POETRY: Grades 4 - 6: 8 - 10 lines   Grades 7 - 8: 14 - 16 lines**

Mail entries to: LifeWorks Ohio   4429 State Road, Suite 23   Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
All information is also online at [www.LifeWorksOhio.org](http://www.LifeWorksOhio.org)   Please feel free to copy and share this flyer.

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

## 29<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ART, ESSAY & POETRY CONTEST

### THEME ASSISTANCE - **GRADES 4 - 8**

In their essays, students should remember:

**Their entry MUST BE WITHIN THE WORD OR LINE COUNT listed on the first page.**

THIS BIBLE VERSE MUST APPEAR IN THE ESSAY OR POEM;  
either as the title or as a quote in the text.

It MUST also appear in the artwork:

**“Do to others whatever you would have them do to you.”**  
**Matthew 7:12**

**Students may consider the questions below  
and base their entry on one or more of these persons.**

#### The Expectant Mother

- If you were an expectant mother, what emotions might you be feeling?
- What would you need – physically, emotionally, and spiritually?
- What kind of support and information would you need in order to not consider abortion?
- What help would you need after the baby is born?
- Should adoption of the child be considered?

#### The Preborn Child

- Everyone was once a preborn child, made in the image of God.
- What needs would a preborn child have?
- How could someone speak out in defense of our innocent new life?
- How can others be educated about the baby’s development in the womb?

#### The Physically or Mentally Challenged Person

- If you were challenged physically or mentally, what would you need?
- What respect would you like to be shown to you?
- Would you hope that others would include you in their activities?
- What talents do you have, that could be shared with the world?

#### The Elderly Person

- If you were elderly, what do you think you would need?
- How could someone bring joy into your life?
- As an elderly person, what could you teach others?

#### The Terminally Ill (persons who may die from their illness)

- If you were terminally ill, what emotions might you be feeling?
- What would you need – physically, emotionally, and spiritually?
- What could you contribute to the world? How could your life be a good example to others?