

The 2019–20 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

# Visionary Kids Contest

This year's theme:

## The Time is Always Right to do What's Right:

*In 1964, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. told a group of students, "The time is always right to do what's right." Dr. King was referencing the recent turmoil and violence in our country, but through a vision and hope for peace. As the theme for the 2020 MLK, Jr. Memorial breakfast, we encourage you to reflect upon what this statement means to you, as a future leader and change agent for peace and equality for all.*

Show your creativity through

**Film**  
**Essay/Poem**  
**Art**  
**Performance**

Open to all Anne Arundel County  
Public Schools' students grades 6–12.

One High School Senior will receive a

**\$1000 MLK Visionary  
Kids Contest Scholarship**

to the College, Career, or  
Technical School of their choice.

*Scholarship provided by the  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast Committee*

*MLK Breakfast tickets will be awarded to:*

- Middle school contest winners (3)
- High School (grades 9-11) winners (3)
- Senior Runners-up (3)
- Senior Scholarship Contest winner (1)

*Submissions will be juried by the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County. Category winners receive Certificates of Award and will be acknowledged at an AACPS Board of Education Meeting. All entrants receive a Certificate of Participation.*

# Attention all MLK Visionary Kids!

Do you love to create songs, create art, write poetry, and inspire others through words or dance?

Do you feel inspired by the words and deeds of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.?

Are you excited about experimenting with your talents?

Show us what you can do by submitting your project, speech, dance, video presentation, song, or artwork to our MLK Visionary Kids Contest!

## Rules

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**Who:** Middle & High School students

**When:** Projects are due December 18, 2019

**Where:** Deliver to the Visual Arts Office at the Board of Education at 2644 Riva Road Annapolis, 21401. **Please label your submission MLK Visionary Kids Contest.** Videos of your speech, dance, song, performance and or artwork must be included.

**All entries must be the student's original creation.**

**One entry per person so pick your best piece!**

**Please Note—to qualify, entries must include:**

- Project Title
- Student's name
- Student's age
- Teacher's name & school
- Parent's phone number, email, and mailing address (if available)

**Project Criteria:** Each submission must reflect the principles of social justice, civility and/or equality for all that Dr. King advocated for during his life. Submissions must be appropriate for all audiences (e.g., kid-friendly with no violence, inappropriate language, or mature themes) as determined by the MLK Breakfast Committee and/or Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

## Guidelines

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- 1. Film/Video Submissions** including documentary films, digital multimedia, music video, or animations (cannot exceed 6 minutes). Must include a brief process paper of no more than 150 words. Entries should be submitted on a USB drive in MP4 or WMV formats.
- 2. Art Submissions** include drawings, painting, sculptures, photography, or fiber arts. Submissions cannot exceed a height of 6 feet or a width of 4 feet.
- 3. Written Submissions** may include essays, short stories, speeches, and poetry. Writing must not exceed 500 words, not including references.
- 4. Performance Submissions** may include music, dance, performance art, and acting. Performances cannot exceed 6 minutes and should be submitted on a USB drive in MP4 or WMV formats (video submissions) or MP3 (audio submissions only). Performance pieces will be judged on the performance and not the quality of the recording. All props must be portable and costumes and language must be appropriate and adhere to the standards of Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

If you need more information, contact Eleni Dykstra, Coordinator of Visual Arts at 410.222.5450.