

2018 Voices in Black History Competition

Montgomery City-County Public Library

- Individual contestant must research and write his or her own presentation. Contestants will then present the speech as the person they have chosen to become.
- Speech must be between 3 to 5 minutes in length for Elementary Level and 4 to 7 minutes in length for the Middle School/Junior High and High School levels. Penalty for presentations shorter or longer than time allowed
- Contestant must present speech in costume as the person that he or she has chosen. Speeches given *about* the person will be disqualified. Participants *reading* speech from paper or electronic device will be disqualified.
- Speeches must be original. Speeches must be written by the participant in participant's own words. Participant can not simply memorize a known work by their chosen person.
- Open to students in Grades 3-12
- Visuals and props may be used but are not required. Power Point is not permitted.
- A Bibliography /Works Cited Page containing sources consulted should be turned in with each participant's Registration Form. Bibliographies must be turned in at the same time as the registration form. Points will be deducted for no Bibliography
- **All Registration forms with completed Bibliography/Works Cited Page MUST be turned in no later than 530PM, Friday, January 26, 2018. ALL FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN AT THE SAME TIME. All late entries and all incomplete entries will be disqualified**
- **Completed entries only can be emailed to mchristie@mccpl.lib.al.us**
- **MCCPL is not responsible for any lost or undelivered entries**
- **Once entry is turned in participant may not change person listed on Registration Form.**
- **Must agree to be videoed and to be photographed**
- Entries may be turned in to ANY MCCPL location
- Only the top **three** contestants in the three levels will be awarded prizes:
 - Grades 3-5
 - Grades 6-8
 - Grades 9-12
- All awards will be presented at the Final event
- Contestants may only win in each level once.
- Students may not be prompted or coached from the audience during their presentation or they are disqualified.

Speeches will be scored based on proficiency in the following categories:

- Organization
- Content: Depth and Accuracy
- Personal Appearance/Costume
- Language Use: Grammar, Diction, Voice
- Eye Contact
- Interaction with Audience
- Research Effort
- Creativity
- Presentation Length (3-5 minutes or 4-7 minutes)
- Bibliography

CONTESTANTS SHOULD REPORT NO LATER THAN 5PM AT REGIONALS AND FINALS!

"Middle School
Junior/Senior High"
Grades 6-8/Grades 9-12
Monday
February 5, 2018 at 6PM
E L Lowder
Regional Library

"Elementary Regional"
Grades 3-5
Tuesday
February 6, 2018 at 6PM
Rufus A. Lewis
Regional Library

FINALS
Wednesday
February 21, 2018 at 6PM
Awards and refreshments to follow
City Hall

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Monday, February 5, 2018 - 6 PM — *Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12* “Middle School Junior/Senior High”

EL Lowder Regional Library, 2590 Bell Road, Montgomery, AL 36117

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 - 6 PM — *Grades 3-5* “Elementary Regional”

Rufus A. Lewis Regional Library — 3095 Mobile Hwy, Montgomery, AL 36108

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 - 6PM — *Finals*

City Hall— 103 North Perry Street, Montgomery, AL 36104

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Parents and participants must agree to be photographed and videoed in order to participate

Name: _____
Only one person may enter per entry form

Grade: _____ Library: _____ School: _____

Historical Figure: _____
Once entry is turned in Historical Figure may not be changed

Permission to Videotape and/or Photograph:

I _____ am 18 years or older, and I am the parent or legal guardian of
(Name, Please Print)

_____, who is _____ years old on this date.
(Name, Please Print) (Current Age)

*I have read and agree to the rules of the Montgomery City-County Public Library's **Voices in Black History Speech Competition**. I understand that failure to follow the rules will result in disqualification and forfeiture of any prizes. I further understand that the City of Montgomery may photograph and/or videotape the events or activities in which I am (and/or my child is) participating. I give my permission for the City to use photographs and/or videotape of me (and/or my child) for the purpose of promoting the City of Montgomery and its services/programs, not limited to, but including, the Montgomery City-County Public Library. I hereby give my permission with the following understanding: No compensation of any kind will be paid to me (or my child) at this time or in the future for the use of my (or my child's) likeness.*

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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Contestant # _____ Grade Level: 3-5 6-8 9-12 Bibliography Score: _____