

August 1, 2018.

Dear Principals,

The Davis School District Educational Equity Department and Equity Committee invites all K-12 students of Davis School District to enter the **2018-2019 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Speech Contest**. Students will have the opportunity to reflect on the legacy of Dr. King and what they can do to make a positive difference.

The four categories are: Elementary grades K-2, grades 3-4, grades 5-6 and Junior and High School. The following cash awards will be presented for each category:

1st place - \$100 2nd place -\$75 3rd place -\$50

Please encourage your teachers to share this opportunity with their students. This ties into the Common Core and DESK Standards which focus on reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

Speeches must be memorized. Students may deliver their speech in a language other than English. Each student must provide judges with a copy of their speech in English.

A Rating Form is included to help students prepare. Please give each student a copy of the Rating Form.

Elementary schools may choose (1) winner from grades K-2, (1) winner from grades 3-4, (1) winner from grades 5-6. Junior High and High Schools may choose (1) winner per school. School winners will advance to the District Judging. District Judging will take place on Monday, October 22, 2018 and Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at the Davis School District Kendell Building, 2nd floor.

Please submit names of winners by **October 1, 2018** to Holly DeCarolis hdecarolis@dsdmail.net. A schedule of times will be sent once all names have been submitted.

Names of the District winners will be posted on the Davis School District Website. District winners are invited to our Equity Committee Holiday Luncheon on Monday, December 10, 2018, where they will receive their cash awards. Winners will have the opportunity to receive recognition from the School Board in January 2019.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (801)402-5319 or at bvillar@dsdmail.net. Thank you for your continuous support.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bernardo Villar
Director, Educational Equity Department