34th Annual North Texas Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Contest

MLKofNorthTexas

LISD LEWISVILLE ISD

Theme:

Roots of Resilience: Branches of Hope

CATEGORY: 3-D Sculpture and Ceramics

The 3-D work including design, casting, and preparation must:

- be completed by the student with adult supervision
- no larger than 12" x 12" x 12" including attached and secure base
- within 10 lbs in weight without protruding elements

Additional Rules:

- Greenware, oil-based clay, or unfired clay will not be accepted.
- Entries must be transported in a plastic container, cardboard, or wooden box for durability



Example Courtesy of MLKofNorthTexas

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Write or attach student name, school, and grade level on the box that will be used during transport.
2. Scan the QR Code above to complete a brief submission form to confirm your entry. A submission form must be completed for each entry. Link to submission form: https://forms.gle/sn4pmRYTSiCaboiK6

SEND ENTRIES TO:

Lewisville ISD Admin Welcome Center (Entrance C)
Attention: Alexis Miller Room 338
Deadline: Friday, December 11, 2026

CELEBRATION EVENT

Date: January 18, 2027
Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Marcus High School Auditorium
5707 Morriss Rd. Flower Mound, TX

PRIZES

Elementary School (4th and 5th Grade)
1st Place: $100 2nd Place: $75

Middle School
1st Place: $125 2nd Place: $100

High School
1st Place: $150 2nd Place: $125

Up to **6** cash prizes in this category and **all entries are eligible to be selected as a Chairman's Prize:**
Elementary: $150 **Middle:** $200 **High:** $250

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CATEGORY: ART

The artwork and preparation must:

- be completed by the student
- incorporate the theme above
- represent Dr. King's ideals of unity, equity, and peace
- include art canvas, poster board, or any quality paper
- be at minimum 12" x 16" and no more than 16" x 20" including the matting

Additional Rules:

- If using poster board or art paper, it must be matted.
- Graphic art may be used for **minimal** enhancement only in this category and must comply with copyright laws.



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High School *(Per Grade Level)*
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Roots of Resilience: Branches of Hope

CATEGORY: ESSAY

The essay must:

- be completed by the student (original work)
- incorporate the theme above
- expand on the theme by discussing its impact on one's daily life
- represent Dr. King's ideals of unity, equity, and peace
- not entirely focus on Civil Rights history
- use quotations rarely
- include a cover sheet

Additional Rules:

Entries with historically inaccurate information will not be considered for the awards.

Word Count:

Elementary: 200-300 Middle: 300-500 High: 500-800



If an AI tool is used, please practice digital citizenship.

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For this category, 1st place winners of each level may be asked to read aloud or participate in a recording of their entry. The recitation or recording may be highlighted during the event.

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CATEGORY: PHOTOGRAPHY AND GRAPHIC DESIGN

The creative photography and graphic design entry must:

- be completed by the student
- a digitally enhanced or an unedited photograph in Color or B&W
- be on a poster board between 12" x 16" and 16" x 20"
- incorporate the theme above
- expand on the theme by discussing its impact on one's daily life
- represent Dr. King's ideals of unity, equity, and peace



Additional Rules:

Graphic design or enhancements are allowed only if all components of the entry are original and not copied from the web or other sources.

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