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Prince George's County

2010 HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST

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**Many
Chances
To Win!**

Contest runs from February 22 to March 26, 2010

TOPICS:

1. Since President Obama has been in office, how have his actions as President of the United States motivated you to achieve your goals? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
2. The advent of Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter have created multi-million dollar corporations in a few short years for their young founders and changed the way people around the world communicate with each other. Use of these social networking sites has been praised by some for the way they keep people connected and criticized by others because of their effect on privacy. What are your thoughts on the strengths and weaknesses of social networking sites and how they should be used?
3. Some people believe that the Earth is being harmed by human activity. Others feel that human activity makes the Earth a better place to live. What is your opinion? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.
4. Sagging pants, low-riding skinny jeans, and other body-conscious clothing have been a popular trend for several years among young people and hip hop stars. At the same time this trend has been condemned as unprofessional and unbecoming by parents and community leaders because it often reveals a person's undergarments or private body parts. What's your position on appropriate dress for young people and why?
5. Some people say that Prince George's County should require physical exercise to be a part of every school day. Others believe that the students should spend the whole school day focused on academics. With which opinion do you agree and why? Use specific reasons and details to support your answer.

Grand Prize: Laptop



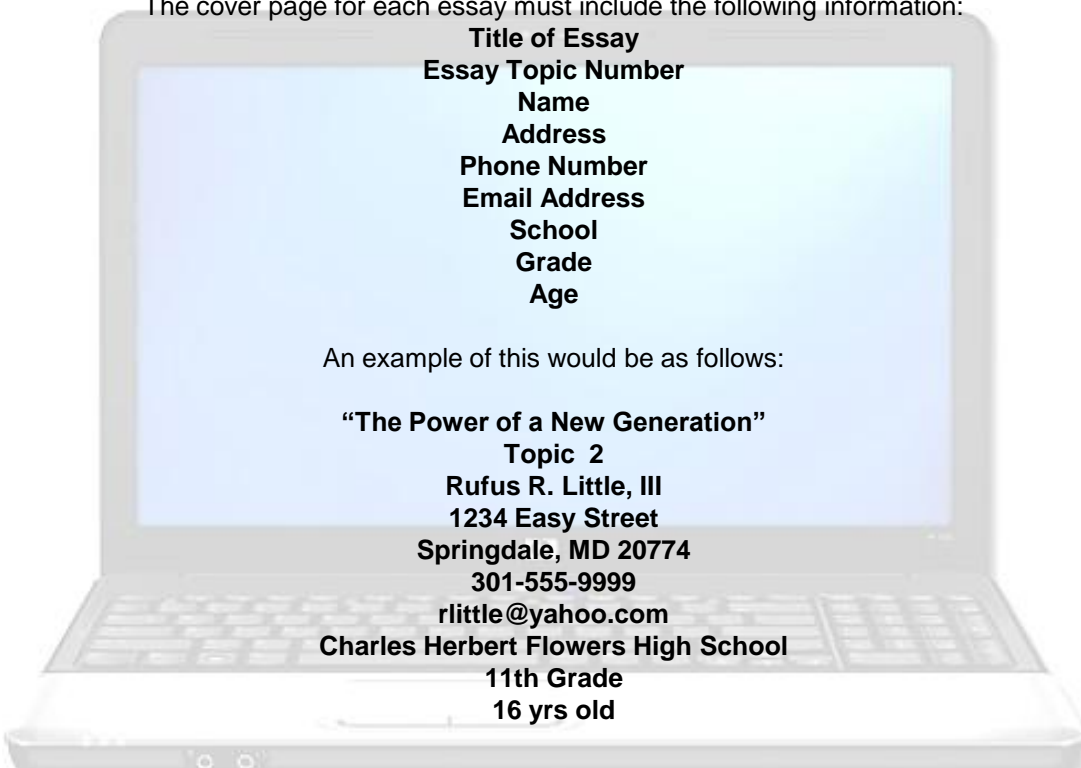
ADDITIONAL PRIZES: APPLE IPOD ★ DIGITAL CAMERA ★ GIFT CARDS

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Student Procedure for Formatting and Submitting Essays

Students must submit essays electronically via email as a Microsoft Word attachment to:
hlessaycontest@hlkapsi.org.

The attachment must include a cover page followed by the essay
The cover page for each essay must include the following information:



Title of Essay
Essay Topic Number
Name
Address
Phone Number
Email Address
School
Grade
Age

An example of this would be as follows:

“The Power of a New Generation”
Topic 2
Rufus R. Little, III
1234 Easy Street
Springdale, MD 20774
301-555-9999
rlittle@yahoo.com
Charles Herbert Flowers High School
11th Grade
16 yrs old

The essay title must be repeated on the first page of the essay
The essay file must be titled using your first name, then a period, then your last name, then a dash, and then the number for the topic on which you have written. **For example:**

Rufus.Little-Topic 2

Essays must be 1000 words or less, double-spaced, and use 12 point Times Roman font.

Eligibility Criteria

- Participants must be of high school age and **residents of Prince George’s County, Maryland.**
 - Only ONE entry per participant.
- Essay winners must be present at our **Student Achievement Ceremony in May 2010** to claim your prize.

Deadline

- The contest runs February 22, 2010 – March 26, 2010.
- All essays must be submitted by **11:59 :59 PM, Friday, March 26, 2010.**
 - Late submissions will not be accepted.

*** Approved by the Prince George’s County Board of Education**

For more information go to: www.hlkapsi.org