



Essay theme: "The Art of Diplomacy"

This year's theme, "The Art of Diplomacy," showcases the importance of both institutional and citizen diplomacy efforts to achieve peace. How do you see the positive effects of diplomacy in your everyday life? Draw inspiration from your experiences with travel, exchange, sister cities, international friendships, and your own goals to present your vision of the art of diplomacy.

Essay Writing Entry Requirements

Limited to one (1) entry per student. Essays must be written in English and printed on white paper, double-spaced using a 12-point font with one-inch page margins. Essays are limited to 500 words. Entries should clearly convey the contest theme. Winning entries will be on display at a Reception at the Youth Art Showcase Event from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on March 24, 2018, when judges will announce the top three winners from each category.

Entries from participants 13-18 years old (by March 1, 2018) will also qualify for Santa Clarita Sister Cities' Young Authors Showcase, in partnership with Sister Cities International.

PRIZES	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Artist Awarded:	Trophy	Trophy	Trophy
Schools Awarded:	\$150	\$100	\$50

1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each entry category will be awarded with a winning trophy and their school will be awarded with a cash prize to go towards their Arts Education program. An award ceremony will be held to present the certificate awards to the artists and the cash to their schools.

Deadline for entry submissions is Friday, January 26, 2018.

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Send your entry and this form to:

Pen & Paper Contest
Santa Clarita Activities Center
20880 Centre Pointe Parkway
Santa Clarita, CA 91350
Attn: Donna Avila,
Arts & Events Coordinator

Deadline for entry of submissions is Friday, January 26, 2018.

Pen & Paper Contest Entry Form

Please print clearly! Circle category: K-4 5-8 9-12

Essay Title: _____

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

School: _____ Grade Level: ____ Age: ____

Teacher's Name: _____

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Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

For more information, please call (661) 250-3785 or e-mail davila@santa-clarita.com

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