



**Ellis County African American Hall of
Fame Museum & Library
in collaboration with
Nicholas P. Sims Library
is sponsoring the 2022:**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay and Oratorical Contest

**11:00 A.M. Saturday, January 15, 2022
Nicholas P. Sims Library (Lyceum Auditorium)
515 W. Main St. - Waxahachie, Tx. 75165**

RULES and DEADLINES

1. Students must submit in PDF form 1 copy of the original work typed in 12-point Times New Roman font. Work should be sent to: ecaamuseum@gmail.com BEFORE Monday, January 3, 2022 @ 5:00pm. No exceptions! The cover page should include the student's name, school attending, grade level, parents name, email address, and telephone number. Students will receive a parental consent form once speech has been submitted.
2. Essay must have a minimum of words based on the grade level (see below).
3. Essay must be the student's original work.
4. Students will be judged on speaking, oratory delivery, presentation, and appearance.
5. Three contest division categories:
Elementary grades 3rd-5th (250 word minimum), Secondary grades 6th-8th (500 word minimum) and High School 9th-12 (1000) word minimum).

ESSAY PROMPT

What would Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. say today about the current condition of our education system, has it become better or worse?

Essay Winner Prizes:

Elementary grades 3rd-5th - \$50 Visa Gift Card
Secondary grades 6th -8th - \$100 Visa Gift Card
High School 9th-12th - \$200 Visa Gift Card

Note: Speeches become property of the Ellis County African American Hall of Fame Museum and Library

**For more information contact:
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