



THE 2013-2014 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ART & WRITING CONTESTS

What: It is our pleasure to announce the start of the 2013-2014 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Art and Writing Contest! This year marks our 20th anniversary in commemorating Dr. King's dream through art and writing. All CMS students have the opportunity to participate in this annual contest celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. King.

When: The contest runs Oct 7 – Nov 26.

Theme: *“Leaving a Legacy – Realizing the Dream”*. Just as Dr. King's work left a legacy for our generation, it is important our students begin to ask questions about and consider how Dr. King's dream can be realized by a legacy left by others in their communities and the world at large.

Why:

- To encourage students to learn more about the life, works, and impact of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- To encourage students to understand what it means to have and leave a legacy; and how doing so impacts the realization of Dr. King's dream for equality.
- To inspire and recognize creative expression among students in the form of visual, written, and performing arts.
- To enhance school-community relations by encouraging schools to participate in the city-wide observance of the holiday honoring Dr. King on Monday, January 20, 2014.

How: The online, *LiveBinder* for all contest details and submission materials can be found at:
<http://www.livebinders.com/play/play?id=1019148>

*Hint, works best on Mozilla Firefox. Otherwise, contact your homeroom teacher and they can get your student an information packet.

**All submissions must be received in front office by
8:00 a.m., Friday, November 26, 2013 for consideration in the contest!**

Entries will be judged locally at Barnette by a panel of two teachers, two parents and an administrator. We are permitted to forward **1 art** and **1 writing** entry from **K-2** and **3-5** (total of 4 from BES) onto the District-wide Judging. At the district level, judges will select 1st, 2nd, 3rd and honorable mention winners for K-2 and 3-5 in both categories.

*Winners will be announced during the **Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools MLK, Jr. Student Awards Ceremony** to be held on **Thursday, January, 16, 2014.**
All school-based winners will be invited to attend.*