

## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Poster-Essay Contest Entry Form\*

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Grade\_\_\_\_\_

School/Home School\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Phone Number\_\_\_\_\_

By submitting this entry, the student confirms that the attached poster and essay are solely his or her own work product, and agrees that once submitted, the poster and essay become the property of the Vermont Bar Association for display or publication purposes.

\* If you are a student team of two, please indicate both names. Student team members must be from the same school/home school.

# 2022 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Poster-Essay Contest

## Rules and Information

**Sponsors:** The Vermont Bar Association's Diversity Section and Young Lawyers Division

**Theme:** "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." From the "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

**Eligibility:** Vermont Middle School Students

**Criteria:** Each of the criteria listed below must be met:

- The poster and essay must relate to the theme above.
- Essays must be written or typed on a separate sheet of paper and taped to the back of the poster. No more than 250 words per essay for entries. Essays to explain how the poster reflects Dr. King's "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere" message.
- Any drawing instruments may be used for the poster; computer generated art by the student or photos taken by the student may also be incorporated into the poster design.
- A completed entry form must be taped to the back of each poster.
- Posters may not be larger than 12" x 18" on white paper. Lamination is optional.
- One submission per student or student team. Teams of up to two students permitted.
- Essays will be judged on relevance to theme, spelling, grammar, punctuation, content and creativity.
- Posters will be judged on relevance to theme, quality of design and creativity.

**Deadline:** All submissions must be addressed to Vermont Bar Association, PO Box 100, Montpelier, VT 05601-0100 and be postmarked on or before December 17, 2021 or hand-delivered to the VBA Office, 35-37 Court Street, Montpelier VT by 4:30 p.m. on December 17, 2021.

**Prizes:** Three winners will be selected. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will receive a plaque and his or her school will receive a traveling trophy, to be returned the following year for presentation to the winning student's school that year. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners will receive framed certificates. All winners will be invited to a ceremony at the Vermont Statehouse around the time of the Martin Luther King, Jr. 2022 holiday for recognition (assuming that such gatherings will be allowed at that time; otherwise, the awards will be presented in an alternative manner), and the winning posters will be displayed at the Vermont Supreme Court Building, published in the Vermont Bar Journal, and posted on the [www.vtbar.org](http://www.vtbar.org) website.

**More Information:** If you have questions about this contest, please contact the Vermont Bar Association at 802-223-2020 or e-mail [info@vtbar.org](mailto:info@vtbar.org) .with “MLK” in the subject line. Thank you and good luck!