

Welcome to the 2018-19 Respect Life Youth Contest!

◆Contest Theme◆

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The mission of the Respect Life Office is to enunciate and promote the principle that human life, at all stages from conception to natural death, is a gift from God, worthy of respect and protection.

All Catholic youth in grades 7 through 12 who live in the Diocese of Rockville Centre and/or attend Catholic elementary schools, high schools or parish programs are invited to participate.

To learn about different Respect Life issues, visit our website at respectlife.drvc.org/our-issues/

Contest Overview

Level One: Grades 7-8

Level Two: Grades 9-12

Teachers & Catechists

- Ensure **all** entries must reflect a **Respect Life issue**, the **contest theme** and **church teaching**
- Encourage originality and adherence to contest rules
- Incorporate contest into school year curriculum

Students

- Submit work that reflects a **Respect Life issue**, the **contest theme** and **church teaching**
- Choose a category and work with your teacher
- Fill out the attached registration form signed

Pastors & Respect Life Leaders

- Communicate with Directors of Religious Education to verify that only one entry per parish is submitted and that entries reflect the contest theme
- Incorporate the contest theme into parish ministries
- Help and guide students with entries

- **Only one entry per category, per school, per parish, for each level can be submitted.** More than one entry in a category will disqualify the school in that category.
- All entries must be accompanied by the attached registration form signed by a parent or guardian, postmarked by **January 25th**, and mailed to the Respect Life Office at **50 North Park Ave, Rockville Centre, NY, 11571.**
- **Teachers and Catechists**-To receive certificates of participation, a list of all students who have entered the contest must be emailed by **January 25th** to dtellis@drvc.org

Cash awards are presented to first, second, and third place winners in each category and each level.

■ First Place: \$400.00

■ Second Place: \$250.00

■ Third Place: \$150.00

Thank you for your incredible efforts!

Category Guidelines

Participation in the contest is through any one of the following 7 categories. Choose one category and submissions must **Reference a Respect Life Issue, Reflect the contest theme, and Reflect Church teaching.**

1. Video Design / Student-Senior Citizen Interview Category

- Submit a USB or CD to the Respect Life office
- Video length should not exceed 3 minutes
- Video is to be student's original creation, including filming, editing, and audio
- No PowerPoint presentations or slideshows
- Accompanied by a **Video/Photo release form**
- If choosing to interview a senior citizen:
 - Introduce the senior and explain your relationship
 - Encourage the senior citizen to share a powerful moment in their life that reflects a Respect Life issue
 - Ask what life advice the senior citizen would give to youth today

2. Poetry Category

- Typed in Times New Roman 12 point font and limited to 21 lines
- No images permitted

3. Essay Category

- Single spaced and typed in Times New Roman 12 point font
- Limited to 400 words
- One page with no pictures

4. Bookmark Design Category

- Entries should be hand drawn and submitted **on the bookmark category form**
- Computer generated pictures will not be accepted

5. Music Category

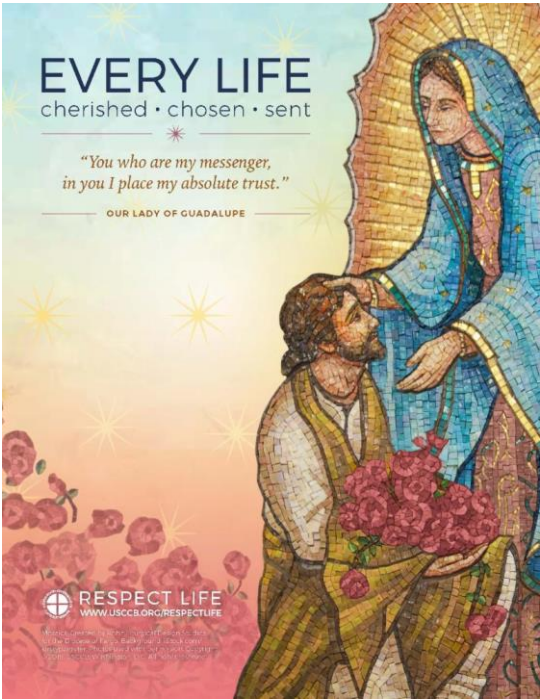
- Lyrics must be the student's original work, but the melody can be in the public domain
- Submit a USB or CD to the Respect Life Office
- Should not exceed 3 minutes
- No video permitted

6. Photography Category

- Image size 8"x10" in color or black & white
- Taken by the student; no collages
- Accompanied by a **completed category form and Video/Photo release form**

7. Mural for Life Category

- For groups up to 4 students with school and names written on back
- Completed on mural paper provided by the Respect Life Office; paper requests should be made no later than **October 22nd to dtellis@drvc.org**
- Must be original creation
- Accompanied by **separate registration forms for each student and one category form for the entire group**



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REGISTRATION FORM

Must Be Submitted by All Students

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Parish: _____

Parish Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE **Circle one** 7 8 9 10 11 12

Please indicate title of the person supervising your entry:

Teacher/Catechist/Respect Life Leader/Other _____ (please specify)

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Choose a category (each contestant may only enter one category)

Circle one

- **BOOKMARK DESIGN**
- **ESSAY**
- **MUSIC**
- **PHOTOGRAPHY**
- **POETRY**
- **VIDEO**
- **MURAL**

All entries become the property of the Diocese of Rockville Centre Respect Life Office and may be used for future promotions and/or posted on the diocesan website. Please keep copies of your entry.

I have read the contest guidelines and confirm this entry is my personal and original work.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read and consent to all contest guidelines.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

All parish/school winning entries must be submitted to the Diocesan Respect Life Office no later than

January 25, 2019.

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VIDEO/PHOTO RELEASE FORM

Date: _____

Location: _____

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