Date: February 14, 2020

To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads

Route To: Teachers and Principals

From: Peggy McDonald, Assistant Commissioner

**Division of Student Services** 

Deadline: May 8, 2020

## 2020 Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness Award Competition

Kidsbridge, the Allison Vandal Legacy Program, and the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education are pleased to announce the nomination process for a statewide Youth Holocaust/Genocide Awareness Award Competition.

School administrators and staff are invited to nominate a student who has demonstrated an altruistic act of generating awareness, empathy and action for Holocaust/Genocide education. Complete the form on the <u>Kidsbridge webpage</u> and send to Lynne Azarchi at Kidsbridge Tolerance Center by May 8, 2020.

## Background

Kidsbridge provides interactive programs on bullying/cyberbullying, UPstander versus bystander behavior, genocide, name-calling, diversity appreciation and religious diversity. Their goal is to build a caring community of learners who are not only aware of historical atrocities, but wish to take action against the prejudice, hate crimes and genocides that continue to take place today.

## **Contact information**

For more information about the Kidsbridge competition, contact Lynne Azarchi at <a href="mailto:lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org">lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org</a> or Brianna Doherty at <a href="mailto:lynne@kidsbridgecenter.org">Brianna Doherty@doe.nj.gov</a>.

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