



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: September 30, 2020
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, Administrators of Nonpublic Schools
Route To: Middle School and High School Teachers and Administrators
From: Daryl Minus-Vincent, Acting Assistant Commissioner
Division of Field Services
Deadline: November 1, 2020

Peace Islands Institute 2020 Art and Essay Contest

Peace Islands Institute welcomes submissions for its 10th Annual Art & Essay Contest. This year's theme is "Solidarity in the Middle of a Pandemic." Consistent with Peace Islands Institute's mission of promoting pluralism and bringing people from different backgrounds together, the art and essay contest aims to bring middle and high school students from around the state of New Jersey together, promote awareness of issues of common concern among New Jersey youth, facilitate personal and academic growth through a healthy competitive environment, and inspire positive change in school communities.

Key steps/actions

Entries must be submitted per the guidelines found [here](#).

Contact information

Please visit the Institute's art and essay contest [website](#) for more information on previous contests and follow the Instagram account at [@artandessay](#) to stay up to date with the contest announcements.

c: Members, State Board of Education
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