



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: December 8, 2021
To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads, Administrators of Approved Private Schools for Students with Disabilities
Route To: Principals, Teachers, Guidance Councilors
From: The New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education
Legal and External Services
Apply by: January 31, 2022

Annual High School Essay Competition

Every year, the Sister Rose Thering Fund offers a statewide writing competition for high school students in New Jersey who have viewed and discussed the award-winning documentary Sister Rose's Passion. Information about and copies of the film are distributed to public, private, and religious schools in cooperation with the New Jersey Commission for Holocaust Education.

A committee of readers evaluates the hundreds of essays submitted to determine winners, first and second place for each grade 9-12. The winners, their teachers and families are invited to a reception on the Seton Hall campus and receive certificates, gifts and monetary awards.

Key steps/actions

Submissions for the Twelfth Annual Essay Competition are now being accepted with an entry deadline of Friday, January 31, 2022. Application and guidelines can be found at the [Annual High School Essay Competition webpage](#).

Contact information

For more information, contact the Sister Rose Thering Fund at Seton Hall University at srtf@shu.edu.

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