



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Creative Celebration

JEFFREY D. KLEIN December 22, 2011



Dear Participant,

Thank you for your wonderful contribution to the Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration. In our first year, we received outstanding poems, essays, and artwork that exemplify the creativity of New York State's young people.

The submissions received are remarkable in what they represent – showing gratitude and respect for family, friends, our troops fighting overseas, and many other important subjects

and activities. I am humbled and honored to see such inspiring contributions in response to what is a deceptively difficult question: "What are you thankful for?"

On behalf of the New York State Senate, I would like to offer my wholehearted congratulations to all of the participants in this year's Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration.

Sincerely,

Senator Klein

Lincoln Elementary School

- Gabriel Abreu
- Hamida Adey
- Yussuf Adeyi
- Gabriela Alfonso
- Tyler Arias
- Jayden Austin
- Chaneil Barnett
- Erika Cabrera
- Justin Caines
- Joshua Coelho
- Kailah Comrie

- Giuliana DaSilva
- Solana Edjang
- Various Essays
- Ashley Ferreira
- Sydney Ferreira
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- Ella Fieni
- Victoria Figueirido
- Julia Figueiredo
- Maria Garcia
- Chloe Giulini
- Tyler Goncalves
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- Susan Granata
- Jada Grant
- Bryant Gutierrez
- Milan Harrar
- Omari Hart
- Marcos Hoffman
- Alejandro Martinez
- Skye McBean

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- Victoria McLaughlin
- Roy Michael
- Jayna Monroe
- Ygor Perreira
- Jake Riedl
- Sarah Rodriguez
- Isabella Rosario
- Qays Saleh
- Jennifer Salomon
- Steven Seemungal
- J'Cis Stone
- Valeria Velez
- Lindsay Ward
- Bryan Wilson
- Gabriel Winter

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- Shainnah Aime
- Eniola Arogundade
- Faith Berishaj

- Shahir Choudhury
- Antwuan Fernandez
- Jasmine Garcia
- Joshua Henry
- Maximus Holderman
- Ryan Jaquez
- Kendra Kirrman
- Jie Lin
- Brandon Lowe
- Elwin Luna
- Hector Marlin
- Jacob Morales
- Michael Nguyen
- Benita Ojeriakhi
- Andrea Santana
- Ansareb Swaby
- Mouhamadoul Toure
- Samuel Twum

St. Raymond's Elementary School

- David Asiedu

- Anjali Franklyn

Traphagen School

- Briana Lily
- Dahved Lyttle
- Roshni Philip
- Jared Thomas
- Cheyenne Vanderberg

YMA

- Nicole Clancy

Yonkers Montessori Academy

- Christina Ljuljic
- Tyler Ortiz
- Masha Popovic