



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Terry Gipson

Thanksgiving Essays and Contributions

TERRY GIPSON December 6, 2013



Dear Participant,

Thank you for your wonderful contribution to the Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration. 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 Terry Gipson

Bishop Dunn Memorial School

- Owen Lynch
- Samantha McCullough
- Hayden McElduff
- Zachary Pappas
- Emilia Pastorello
- Carrick Sculley

ELC

- Hazen Armstrong-Santana
- Karron Bond
- Kason Cummings

- Andrea Edwards
- Kayla Flakes
- Jae-La Francis
- Ortzi Ortiz
- Shaqem Vassell

Eugene Brooks Elementary

- Via Masina

Eugene Brooks Intermediate School

- Kearstin Recchia

G.W. Krieger Elementary School

- Kit Evans

Gov. George Clinton Elementary

- Alaiysia Bonet-King
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- Azriel Goddard
- Sutanya Gordon

- Mrs. Cheryl Haines-Teacher
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- Mrs. Cheryl Haines-Teaqcher
- Zanya Jamieson
- Kimberly Jimenez
- Josiah Mallory-Floyd
- Arleen Smack

Poughkeepsie SDA Elementary School

- Josiah Aming
- Sophia Augustin-Hernandez
- Stephanie Bustamante
- Ansel Hernandez
- Jacob Lewis

- Hayden Mattis
- Amely Perez
- Jonathan Perez

Stissing Mountain Middle School

- Sarah Rios
- Gabriel Santosky

Tabernacle Christian Academy

- Samurai Coleman
- Gianna Tancredi

Warring Elementary School

- Amaya Hutchinson
- Shatasia Unknown
- Taleise Unknown
- Marc Valencia-Cruz