



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Thanksgiving Essays and Contributions

KEVIN S. PARKER 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.

Yours in Partnership,

Senator Kevin S. Parker

Big Apple Institute

- [Sofia Syed](#)

I.S. 303

- [Emmanuel Perrier](#)

I.S. 381

- [Basillee Wallerson](#)

P.S. 217K

- Zahra Haider
- Wesal Haroun
- MD Hoque
- Trinity Ramdhan
- Nona Stislow

P.S./I.S. 192

- Jazmyn Flythe
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Saint Gregory The Great Catholic Academy

- Alicia Bailey
- Amber Ford-Forbes
- Jannessa Pierre
- Kaitlin Robinson
- Maya Samuel

St. Catherine-St. Therese Catholic Academy

- Nya Alexander

- Jahnue Blugh
- Jaydon Brizan
- Angela Delva
- Rebecca Desulma
- Madison Garrett
- Kayla Gillins
- Cayla Jordan
- Brandon Kahn
- Adrianna Ladouceur
- Laurie Magloire
- Frankyana Merizier
- Naomi Mitchell
- Pharaoh Rivers
- Katherine Rodriguez
- Leatrice Samson
- Brandon Slocum
- Carlyse West

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Academy

- Jonathan Rodd

St. Jerome Catholic Academy

- Amely Blato

The Cathedral School of Brooklyn

- Chloe Inniss
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