



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Thanksgiving Essays and Contributions

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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 Cecilia Tkaczyk

Fonda Fultonville Elementary School

- [Teresa Hastings](#)
- [Zenmatsu Myles](#)

Good Shepherd Christian School

- [Kyle Atabong](#)
- [Elysia Bailey](#)
- [Judah Copeman](#)
- [Gianna Fazio](#)
- [Abigail O'Dell](#)

- Ashley Tilstra
- D'Andre Timbrouck

Greenville Middle School

- Anne Marie Conroy-Robinson

Harry Hoag Elementary

- Rachel Zuppardi

Jefferson Elementary School

- Jordan Becker
- Madison Boltz
- Brooklyn Brenes
- David Canton
- Giovanni Cervera
- Tyler Fretto
- Damien Gerardo
- Kira Grotevant
- Salmaan Haider
- Jessica Henderson

- Sean Howlan
- Daniel Karl
- Jaleel Khan
- Kayley Madia
- Freddie Mastroianni
- Dillan Murphy
- Nathaniel Murray
- Devin4 O'Connor
- Anthony Palleschi
- Nick Phillips
- Grace Pierson
- Katey Shear
- Gianna Viscusi

Pinewood School

- Dyllynn Ahrens
- Emily Attanasio
- Ryan Bisner
- Matthew Brink
- Nathan Carter
- Dakota Cartier
- Piper Cartier

- Juliana Coppola
- Malacki Cromer
- Cashay Daniels
- Emma DonVito
- Emma Duell
- Caitlyn Finn
- Michael French
- Joseph Lescovich
- Raiven Montgomery
- Rachel Nadareski
- Rylee O'Flaherty
- Gillian Oleksiak
- John Perez
- Gabriel Romano
- Mackenzie Simmons
- Clarence Smith
- Garrick Smith-Growick
- Amy Varano
- Amy Varano
- Jesus Willis
- Mikayla Zotta