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THANKSGIVING ESSAYS AND CONTRIBUTIONS SD 6

KEMP HANNON November 24, 2016



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 Kemp Hannon

Barnum Woods

- [Meryl Feldman](#)
- [SAMANTHA nirenberg](#)

Barnum Woods Elementary School

- [Melissa Baykan](#)
- [Mihir Goyal](#)

Bowling Green

- [Adrianna Talluto](#)

Bowling Green Elementary

- **355 Duck Pond Rd**

- **Aurora Horn**

Elwood Middle School

- **Sumayah Raza**

George A. Jackson Elementary School

- **Eric Ahmetaj**
- **Jonathan Bisso**
- **Caden Chen**
- **Ginkgo Chen**
- **Madison Choi**
- **Julius Concepcion**
- **Daniel Damast**
- **Evan Genova**
- **Srinidith Gummadi**
- **Jennifer Hsu**
- **Nikith Jannu**
- **Faiz Karim**
- **Amneet Kaur**
- **Cherry Lee**
- **Jack Li**

- **Javier Linares**
- **Aadi Nair**
- **Olivia Pan**
- **Arushi Parikh**
- **Gloria Park**
- **Derrick Sun**
- **Jesse Tanner**
- **Tianjiao Wang**
- **Ethan Yeung**

Goosehill Primary School

- **Tyler Altholtz**
- **Kyle Benson**
- **Julie Choi**
- **Christopher Coco**
- **Sadie Flynn**

H.B. Thompson Middle School

- **Nicholas Jung**

Harry B. Thompson Middle School

- **Ayesha Chandnani**
- **Sari Shenkman**

James H. Vernon School

- **Anya Birong**
- **Elyse Corey**
- **Daniela Flores**
- **Jane Gurney**
- **Annika Kucharski**
- **Alexa Laurencon**
- **Michael Lewis**
- **Brendy Palacios**
- **Ella Reardon-Rizzo**
- **Marco Vlachich**

Jericho Middle School

- **Marudhini Murugaverl**
- **Eugene Oh**

Maplewood

- **Justin Student**
- **Shawn Student**

Maplewood Intermediate

- **Juan Student**

Norwood Avenue School

- **Linda Trott Dickman**

Portledge School

- **Ian A**
- **Maggie B**
- **Zoe B.**
- **Carina Caviezel**
- **Max H**
- **Aleia M.**
- **Holly Simon**

South Woods Middle School

- **Jenny Israel**
- **Shiv Khazanchi**
- **Lawrence Zeltser**

The Green Vale School

- **Will Bystrom**
- **Quinn Dougherty**
- **Jack Hogan**
- **Max Schuitemaker-March**

- **Harry Smithie**
- **Costa Yarian**

Theodore Roosevelt Elementary

- **Steven Barillas**
- **Mosie Bradley**
- **Gianluca Carleo**
- **Minsoo Chae**
- **Jack Cohen**
- **Savanna Gallo**
- **Aari Gupta**
- **Emma Hampton**
- **Nicolette Lewis**
- **Jake Macchia**
- **Karina Mejia**
- **Mikal Memon**
- **Clare Murcott**
- **Will Nobel**
- **Brandon Sattar**
- **Chloe Scaramuzzo**
- **Jaron Schachner**
- **Craig Shelley**
- **Gabriella Vergara**
- **Thomas Vidro**
- **Dany Yanez-Mejia**

Washington Drive Primary School

- **Students of Ms. Lupton's Second Grade Class**

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2016/what_i_am_thankful_for_0.docx">Juliet Cimaglia**

- Abby Feinstein
- Lauren Henning

David Paterson School

- Hilary Discua
- Amy Henderson
- Aylin Vanegas

East Broadway

- Shannon Rath

East Broadway Elementary School

- Ysabelle Perillo

EAST BROADWAY SCHOOL

- ALLYSSA AQUINO
- ALLYSSA RHIANNA AQUINO

east meadow woodland middle school

- shari sortino

Eastplain elementary

- Megan Moran

garden City

- Brooke McGovern

Garden City Middle School

- Nicholas Allsbrook
- Alexa Andron
- Grace Avitabile
- evan baschnagel
- Colin Bily
- Kevin Blum
- Gwyneth Boccio

- bryan boocafola
- ariana bransfield
- Kami Bremer
- Melissa Bremer
- Kaelani Briganti
- Marco Bucciarelli
- Marco Bucciarelli
- John Byrne
- Spencer Caporicci
- Matthew Chan
- Sonia Cherpelis
- Hailey Chicco
- Eva Cohen
- Hunter Cook
- Hunter Cook
- Jonathan Decicco
- Meline' Deukmedjian
- Emma Dolmaian
- Madison Dragotto
- Olivia Duff
- cole franco
- kate gaven

- Connor Going
- Connor Going
- Aidan Gorelick
- Aidan Gorelick
- ava gormley
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- Frankie Gray
- James Haedrich
- Aila Hanif
- eric hartmann
- Catherine Hayes
- Rory Heslin
- grace hopkins
- James Jordan
- James Jordan
- Noelle Jordan
- Isabel Joudeh
- Athena Karavousanos
- Riya Katriyar
- Tara Kerimian
- Ryan Krieg
- Vanessa Law

- Aidan Lawe
- AVA LEKANIDES
- Andrew Loughlin
- Kathryn Maloney
- julia manning
- Ryan Melendez
- Ethan Melgar
- Luke Menger
- Luke Menger
- Tristan Mullahey
- Sheila Mullins
- Fionn Mulrooney
- Jamie Mulvihill
- Mae O'Malley
- Maria Panas
- Andrew Pinou
- Andrew Pinou
- Erin Powers
- Athena Psihudakis
- Dylan Pughe
- Matthew Ragusa
- Carly Rivera

- Kevin Roberti
- Juliana Rom
- Brandon Rosenblatt
- Christopher Roukis
- Will Ruckh
- Nicole Russo
- Derek Santeramo
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- Steven Scricca
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- Cristina Seoylemezian
- Faith Short
- Ryan Sievers
- Michael Siragusa
- Kevin Slovensky
- Katerina smolanick
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- Isabelle Soberon
- Nicoletta Sperduto
- annie sweeney
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- Cecelia Van Blenis
- Timothy Voelker
- Michael Wakeham
- Aidan Walsh
- Aidan Walsh
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- Kennedy Wilgosz
- Victoria Williams

Island Trees Memorial Middle School

- Jacob Abiera
- Brayden Alfredsson
- Jenna Amato
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- Jose Arroyo
- Meera Batra
- Nicholas Bevinetto
- Sadie Biggin
- Feyintoluwa Bolaji

- Connor Butler
- Connor Butler
- Salvatore Caruso
- Gary Celeita
- Devena Chan
- Anukul Chhetri
- anthony ciraldo
- Marygrace Coll
- Kristina Connolly
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- Karalina Contino
- Joshua Cooper
- Joshua Cooper
- Nicolette Digena
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- Carmine DiLillo
- Alexis Dimitriadis
- Angelia Dominguez
- Leif Dowd
- John Echezuria
- Leah Emery
- Anthony Fenezia

- Samantha Ficara
- Johnny Franz
- Kaley Garbacki
- Ryan Garofalo
- Andrew Gore
- colin hamilton
- Gabriela Heigel
- Kalliope Hillas
- Matthew Hohmann
- Irene Ioannides
- Melissa Jairam Jairam
- Joseph Jordan
- Bailey Keesee
- Peter Kellarakos
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- Shaun Kenney
- Juliana Koo
- Sophia Kurkowski
- Victoria LaRocca
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- Laura Lederer
- Yhael Lopez

- Kathleen Mainente
- Anthony Maltezo
- Elizabeth Manton
- Marcos Martinez
- James Mayo
- Emily Mccaskill
- Jenna McElroy
- Gabby Mehling
- alexxa merino
- Amber Mohmand
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- Patrick Monahan
- Lola Montevago
- Lorenzo Munguia
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- Irvin Orellana-Avalos
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- Evan Ortolani
- Daniel Pagan
- Anthony Parisi
- Jiya Patel

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- Eva Piccoro
- ANthony Pierro
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- Nikoletta Poulos
- Jairo Ramirez
- Alexandra Regan
- Kelsey Reifer
- Courtney Saposnick
- Jeyda Sefket
- John Sheehan
- Pantelis Siriodis
- Christopher Skumpija
- Alexander Sola
- Jillian Sommerville
- Danielle Talbot
- Alicia Tedesco
- Alicia Tedesco
- Jack Tedesco
- Bridget Thearle

- April Tong
- Kayla Tretola
- Emily Tsai
- Christina Uzzo
- Logan Warren
- Kayla Watson
- Rebecca Wilensky
- Erich Wittenhagen
- Kimberly Wong

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Pat-Kam School & Early Childhood Center

- Rheinai Bailey
- London Bennett
- Jamie Bennett
- London Bennett
- Chelsea Clarke
- Nevaeh Corley
- Amerrai Denny

- Ethan Dorsainvil
- Jayden Duverneau
- Jada Dyer
- Sandra Graves
- Star'La Greene
- Micah Joseph
- Micah Joseph
- Madison Lambert
- David Lewis
- Amir Livingston
- Jahseek McNichols
- Gianna McNichols
- Kaylia Nicely
- Hailey Powell
- Peyton Samuels
- Peyton Samuels
- Lauren Theus
- Christal Walton
- Simon Williams
- Simon Williams
- Kylah Young
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Paterson School

- Brailyn Jimenez
- Christian Maldonado
- Gabrielle Rivera
- Nizabela Ubillus
- Jonathan Valle
- Antonio Vance
- Ciaana Williams

Saint Joseph School

- Christopher Bracht
- Christian Collins
- Kaitlyn Harney
- Brian Kouumdjiev
- Madelyn Maldonado
- Maria Santos
- Christian Tavera

St Joseph Schpppl

- Regina Millman

St. Joseph

- Gabrielle Barbour
- James Campbell
- Kathleen Cooney
- Alonso Harris
- Ronan Hayden
- Brian Knapp
- Caroline Louis
- Brendan O'Brien
- Morgan Steele
- Grace VanSluytman

St. Joseph School

- Lucy Ryan
- Kennedy Abrahams
- Amir Ajenishe
- Maureen Arendt
- Riana Badchkam
- Rosario Badchkam
- Rosario Badchkam
- Quinn Ball

- John Barone
- John Boccio
- Garbiella Brachhagen
- Madeline Brown
- Isabella Carr
- Madison Casares
- Madison Casares
- Yobany cifuentes
- Liam Collins
- Luke Cruz
- Sara Da Silva
- Mark DaCosta
- Kaitlin DeBusschere
- Jacear Del Busto
- Joseph Delmas
- Jonathan Desravines
- Jasmine Dorvil
- Keron Faustin
- Matthew Fontana
- Kaylee Fravert
- LeeLee Gaffney
- Sybel Georges

- John Gomes
- Joseph Gomes
- Sofia Gonzalez
- Maria Guerra
- Charles Jansen
- Aidan Kapoor
- Thomas Landolphi
- Christopher Leigh
- Kelsey Levine
- Casey Lohis
- Mairead Mackay
- William Mandaro
- William Mandaro
- Gabrielle Marchese
- Jude Martucci
- Kira Midy
- Isabella Parlanti
- Cameron Peek
- Jack Peters
- Quinlan Peters
- Jordan Porter
- Sarah Randazzo

- Cecilia Santos
- Thomas Santos
- Thomas Scaturro
- Devon Serkes
- Mairead Serkes
- Ellie Sullivan
- Connor Wagner
- Emma Wagner
- Emma Wagner
- Matthew Walker
- Cody Wehrum
- Olivia Woodall

St. Josphe School

- Lewis Jenkins

Stokes elementary School

- Hunter Durham
- Hunter Durham

Stratford Avenue

- Casey Dennis

Woodland Middle School

- Yumna Ahmed
- Srinidhi Chinnadurai
- Srinidhi Chinnadurai
- Madison Oventhal
- David Schiller
- Brianne Skoros
- Shari Sortino