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DECS MEMORANDUM

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PINCKNEY INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

To Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Private Elementary and Secondary School Principals


1 The Pinckney International Essay Contest Committee (PIECC) announces the 1999 International Essay Contest with this year's theme, "Life in Your Country"

2 The Essay Contest has four categories Photo Essay Poetry, Short Story (Fiction) and Short Story (Non-Fiction) and is divided into two age groups 13 years old and below, and 14-18 years old (Proof of age must be included with your entry e.g., photocopy of birth certificate, passport, etc)

3 The contest is open to all elementary and high school students either in public or private schools nationwide Deadline for submission of entries is on or before October 31 1999

4 Inclosed is the Essay Contest rules For more information, please write the Pinckney International Essay Contest, 399 Somerset Street, Somerset, New Jersey 08873 U S A.

5 Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired


ANDREW GONZALEZ, FSC
Secretary

Incl As stated

Reference None

Allotment 1—(D O 50 97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects

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1999 PINCKNEY INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

YOUR ESSAY COULD WIN!!!

You could be published

You could even win \$200 (U.S.)

It is with great pride that the *Pinkney International Essay Contest* announces its official CALL FOR ENTRIES for our 1999 International Essay Contest. Through this prestigious competition, you are invited to submit an original essay for consideration by our distinguished panel of literary judges. Your manuscript will be in direct competition with authors from over twenty English speaking countries. All entries will receive a personal acknowledgement from the committee. Should your essay be selected, you will be honored with publication in the U S A. All talented writers from around the world are welcome.

ESSAY THEME Life in Your Country

Prizes awarded by age group and category. If your entry is selected, you will also be eligible for a special GRAND PRIZE.

Categories: Photo Essay, Poetry, Short story (fiction), Short story (non-fiction)

CONTEST RULES

- 1) Send one original manuscript printed or typed. Subject: Life in your country or life experiences in your country.
- 2) Proof of age must be included with your entry (photocopy of birth certificate, passport, etc.)
- 3) Contest deadline --- October 31, 1999. No entries accepted after this date.
- 4) There are no fees to enter and all winners may be published in the U S A. Contest is open to all except current or past employees and their families.
- 5) Four categories in two age groups.
 - Age Group I = up to 13 years of age
 - Age Group II = 14 years old to 18 years old
 - Categories: A -- Photo essay (maximum 20 photos of two dimensional artwork)
 - B - Poetry (any style maximum 150 words)
 - C - Short story fiction (maximum 500 words)
 - D - Short story non-fiction (maximum 500 words)

Prizes given in each category and each age group

- 6) First prize **\$200**, second prize **\$50**, five third prizes **\$25** each. Plus a copy of the publication featuring your work.
- 7) Manuscript must be in **ENGLISH**.
- 8) Authors retain rights to their work.
- 9) Contest Sponsor retains the right to publish any entry.

Mail Entry with name, phone#, complete address, age group, category, and proof of age to

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Somerset, New Jersey, 08873
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Unpublished and published writers welcome. No purchase is required to enter or win the contest.