

**Roseville Human Rights, Inclusion and Engagement
Commission**

Agenda Item

DATE: June 16, 2021

ITEM:

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Essay Subgroup Recommendations Discussion

Background

- An expanded subgroup of HRIEC members worked to finalize the language of the proposed essay topic and have prepared some implementation ideas for the commission to consider.
- Subgroup consisted of Commissioners James, Peju, and Haas with Lee and Djevi cc'ed

Essay Subgroup Recommendations For Discussion

Here is the update/summary of the essay contest sub-committee meeting on 6/7/21

Suggested Topic:

How can our Roseville community reconnect after the pandemic? What ideas do you have for you and your fellow students to become more involved in helping to improve and unite the community?

- We propose to open up the essay contest to all Roseville students who would be in grades 6, 7 and 8, whether they attend a Roseville public school or not, including parochial, charter, and home schooled students.

- We propose expanding the methods or submissions to include:
 - essays or poems
 - visual arts (posters, collages, drawings, etc)
- We encourage students to respond in their native language. The commission will need to decide how to evaluate submissions in languages other than English.
- We propose that the essay subgroup read/screen all submissions and then refer the 10-15 best submissions in each category for the entire commission to rate according the the rubric.

- We propose awarding prizes in this manner:

Each grade level will have 4 prizes: first and second in these categories: written submissions (1st and 2nd); visual submissions (1st and second)

- We propose changing the name of the contest. Two possibilities generated at the meeting:

Young Voices Contest

Expressions/Essay Contest