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**Initiative of the Office of the State Superintendent of Education**

## Student Art & Essay Contest

**Submissions Due:** Thursday, October 15, 2015

**Sponsored by:** The Healthy Youth and Schools Commission, OSSE and DC Hunger Solutions

**Who Can Participate:** Student writers, artists, actors, and photographers are invited to participate. Only one entry is allowed per student. Multiple entries in each grade group from each school are allowed and encouraged.

**How to Participate:** Tell us in a short essay (250 words or less), poem, drawing, painting, original photograph, or video how your school is promoting health and wellness. For example, what does your school do to: get all students moving during morning announcements; help students eat healthy meals; use the school garden; encourage biking to school; promote a sports club; teach healthy habits; or partner with a community-based organization to promote health? Complete the next page of this application and include it with your submission.

**Awards:** Submissions will be scored on expression of theme, composition, and originality. First, second, and third prizes will be awarded in each of four grade groups: K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12.

All winning entries will be displayed at the historic John A. Wilson Building, and all winners will receive Healthy Schools Act Hero recognition from DC Hunger Solutions.

**Winners in each grade group will also receive:**

First Place: \$50 gift card, and a plaque and \$500 for your school

Second Place: \$25 gift card, and a plaque and \$250 for your school

Third Place: \$10 gift card, and a plaque and \$100 for your school

Submissions and entries must be hand-delivered or emailed by 5:00 PM on Thursday, October 15th 2015 to:

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Participant Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Ward: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School Staff/Contact Person Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Item Submitted (essay, poem, drawing, painting, original photograph, or video): \_\_\_\_\_

If submitting a drawing, painting, or photograph, please provide a brief description of your submission and how it illustrates what your school is doing to promote health and wellness:

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By signing below you acknowledge that all ideas, stories, remarks, suggestions, ideas, pictures, or other information that you communicate to us through this application is public information and can be used to promote your school wellness program through various media outlets. It is your responsibility to assure any students in photographs have the appropriate media release forms on file.

School Staff/ Faculty Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position at the School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Staff/Faculty Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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