

**WANT TO  
WIN A TRIP TO  
WASHINGTON DC?**



**Your essay should include:**

- A clear introduction that presents your main idea.
- Two-three body paragraphs that provide specific examples.
- A conclusion that reinforces the main points you presented.

**15TH ANNUAL  
C.J. WATSON BLACK HISTORY  
STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST**

**KEY DATES in 2024**

**January 17 - February 21**

Student essay writing contest will take place in each school listed

**February 21**

The selected panel/school administrator will select the 10 finalists for each school and submit the winner to the QSF representative.

**February 21 -23**

Presentation and judging of the essays will occur in one day within this time-frame in a 2 to 3 hour timeblock. QSF Judges will select one winner from 10 finalists for each school.

**March 21**

All essay winners from each school will need to be prepared to recite their essay during the C.J. Watson 15th Annual Black History Student Essay Recognition at the Red Rock Casino Resort & Spa, 11011 West Charleston Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89135.

**Want to win a trip to Washington D.C.?**

Choose one of the prompts below to write an essay on cultural diversity. If chosen as one of the 10 finalists, you will need to memorize your essay which should be between 2-3 minutes.

*Express your ideas and inspire others through your words!*

**2024 Writing Prompt**

**CHOICE 1: How would you explain cultural diversity to the world?  
Why is it important?**

**CHOICE 2: Who is an influential person that you feel most embodies  
the ideals of cultural diversity?**

**How has this person spread these ideals throughout their community?**

**One winner will be chosen from each school**

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| Ernest A Becker Sr. Middle School                 | (6th - 8th graders) |
| Fertitta Middle School                            | (6th - 8th graders) |
| Robert O. Gibson Middle School                    | (6th - 8th graders) |
| Kermit R. Booker Sr. Innovative Elementary School | (5th graders only)  |
| Eva G. Simmons Elementary School                  | (5th graders only)  |
| Wilbur & Theresa Faiss Middle School              | (6th - 8th graders) |

**Hurry & Enter Now  
Deadline is February 21st**

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