

Community Writing Contest

2021 Theme: "My Family Tree and Me".

Contest Rules:

Due Date: April 30, 2021

Choose **only ONE (1)** of the following prompts to respond to when writing your essay:

"The name my parents gave me (or that I chose) reminds me that..."

(Share a specific value or goal that your name represents and that you try to fulfill.)

"The quality I admire most in my (family member or ancestor) is their..."

(Please share a short experience illustrating this quality.)

"I am grateful for my (family/ancestors) because they..."

(Share a specific example of how they have shaped your identity or character.)

Eligibility: All residents of Barrow, Elbert, Franklin, Greene, Hart, Jackson, Madison, Morgan, Oglethorpe, Walton, and Wilks County. All residents of Clarke and Oconee County, who are NOT participating in the monthofthefamily student writing contest.

Character Limit: Essays must be less than 3,000 characters (about 600 words). Be concise, and use specific, rather than broad or vague language. Consider how your family has shaped your identity.

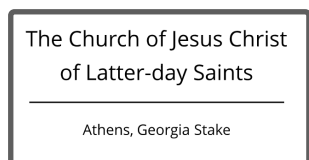
Writing Tips: Your essay should have an introduction, a body, and a conclusion. Feel free draft your essay on a computer or hand-write it on paper first, and then type it before submission. Revise your essay often. Ask for feedback on your drafts from others. This will help ensure that your essay is clear and concise, free of spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors, and responds directly to one prompt.

Submission Instructions: To submit your final draft, copy and paste your essay into the entry submission box on the website. (After you paste your essay be sure to double check your formatting before submitting it.) Visit or click this link to the website: Monthofthefamily.org

Timeline: Submissions are due April 30, 2021. A panel will review all submissions. Winners will be announced the second week of May and awarded during the 2021 Month of the Family (Mother's Day through Father's Day).

Prizes: **ONE first (\$100), ONE second (\$75), and ONE third (\$50) place award will be given to winners.** Selected entries (not limited to winning entries) may be read on the radio during the 2021 Month of the Family.

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Thank you for participating in the Month of the Family writing contest!