

# KINDLAND CREATIVE WRITING CHALLENGE



**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: APRIL 17, 2026**

**CALLING ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3-12!  
TAKE THE KINDLAND CREATIVE WRITING CHALLENGE!**

## THE REWARD:

A COMMITTEE WILL CHOOSE THEIR FAVORITE ENTRIES IN THE BELOW GRADE CATEGORIES

### GRADES 3-4:

**TWO (2) \$500 REWARDS**

### GRADES 5-6:

**TWO (2) \$500 REWARDS**

### GRADES 7-8:

**TWO (2) \$500 REWARDS**

### GRADES 9-12

**TWO (2) \$1,000 REWARDS**

## THE HOW:

- FOLLOW THE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
- SCAN/SAVE YOUR ENTRY AS A PDF OR JPG FILE
- SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY BY UPLOADING IT AT [BEKINDLAND.ORG](http://BEKINDLAND.ORG) OR USE THE PROVIDED QR CODE BY APRIL 17, 2026



## UNITED STATES OF KINDNESS

### ESSAY PROMPTS BY GRADE

#### PROMPT FOR GRADES 3-6

How can acts of kindness—big or small—help create a United States of Kindness?

Write about how everyday actions can make your school, community, and country a **kinder place**.

Think about the ways people help each other and how even small actions can make a **big difference**.

#### PROMPT FOR GRADES 7-12

How does kindness define America?

What does kindness look like in your **community**, and how can acts of kindness help shape the future of our country? Consider how individuals, schools, and communities can help build a **United States of Kindness**.

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- 800 words or fewer
- OR 3 minutes or less if recording a speech, song, or spoken word
- Include: Name, Grade, and School

## QUESTIONS?

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