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Pennsylvania Coalition
of Public Charter Schools
Choice, Quality and Accountability in Public Education

2ND ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST

"THANKFUL FOR MY ACADEMIC HOME:
MY CHARTER SCHOOL"

THE WINNER OF EACH AGE GROUP WILL BE AWARDED A \$100 VISA GIFT CARD.

FOUR LEVELS OF COMPETITION:

STUDENTS BETWEEN THE GRADES OF 1ST - 3RD
STUDENTS BETWEEN THE GRADES OF 4TH - 6TH
STUDENTS BETWEEN THE GRADES OF 7TH - 9TH
STUDENTS BETWEEN THE GRADES OF 10TH - 12TH

If you have any questions regarding the contest rules or eligibility, please contact

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CONTEST RULES:

- Each essay must include your name, grade, your school's name, and contact information for your parent or guardian.
- Only one submission per student will be accepted.
- Each submission must be accompanied by a **"Release and Parental/Guardian Permission for Use of Student Image, Voice, Video, Work, Art, Writing, Photography, and/or First Name for Promotional, News Media, Communications, and Educational Purposes"** signed by the student's parent or guardian. The release can be downloaded here: <https://tinyurl.com/PCPCS-Essay-release>.
- Grades 1-3 must begin "I am thankful for my charter school because..." and can be 1-3 paragraphs.
- Grades 4-12 must include this year's theme: "Thankful For My Academic Home: My Charter School" and must not exceed 500 words.

Email your final essay to essaycontest@pacharters.org. All submissions must be received no later than 5:00 pm EST on November 20, 2020.

Competition winners be notified by December 1, 2020.