



30th Annual **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration**



Future Leaders Dreaming Forward

*The 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration
sponsored by Cuyahoga Community College and Cleveland State University*

Along with our celebration of the birth of Dr. King, Jr., we are looking for emerging leaders who seek to make the world a better place through activism geared toward positive change. Two emerging leaders will be invited to address a distinguished audience, through recorded presentations, who will virtually attend the 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, on **Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.**

Speakers will be selected from applications and essays **received on or before Thursday, November 12, 2020, by 5:00 p.m.**

Essay speaker applicants must:

- Be a current student at Cuyahoga Community College or Cleveland State University and in good academic standing as of Fall 2020 semester.
- Write a brief essay incorporating the following quote from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; “Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”
- Submit a double-spaced, typed essay, in 200 words or less, demonstrating how you incorporate the quote “Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter” in community and education to create positive social change in areas such as health, community safety, education, housing or job opportunities. How does your vision connect to the moral leadership and legacy of social justice and human rights of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.? What initiatives, or personal or career goals would this MLK Jr. quote inspire you to create?
- This year, Cuyahoga Community College and Cleveland State University’s Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration will be held virtually. Thus, if selected, essay presenters must be willing to participate in the recording of a 3- to 5- minute oral presentation of your written essay that will be aired during the 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration on **Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 8:30 a.m.** Cuyahoga Community College’s two selected essay presenters’ 3- to 5- minute oral presentations will also be aired during Cuyahoga Community College’s 44th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration on **Sunday, January 17, 2021, at 2:30 p.m.**, which will also be held virtually.
- A \$100.00 Visa gift card will be awarded to Cuyahoga Community College’s two (2) selected essay presenters.

ESSAY SPEAKER APPLICATION

Name: (please print) _____ Student ID #: _____

Email: _____ College Attending: _____

Phone # to reach you: _____ Alternate phone # to reach you: _____

Cuyahoga Community College

For more information, or to submit your application and essay through email, please contact your Student Life Office.

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