

spoken word

Poetry HIP HOP

Ages: 15-22

Your

Words

Have

Power!

Contest Prizes:

Local: Google Chrome book given to the top 3 entries, & opportunity to perform on KILI Radio and at the local Raise UP Celebration Concert.

National: \$5,000 education scholarship, a trip to Washington D.C. to perform at the Kennedy Center, & your work featured in an NPR Radio Series

Raise Up

Contest



Program Details:

Raise Up is a spoken word, poetry, and hip-hop contest focusing on education and the high school drop-out crisis.

The contest is open to youth ages 15-22 to submit videos of themselves performing original raps or poems about the education system, and/or high school drop out rate.

We're encouraging youth to speak about successes, struggles, questions, and stories related to graduation or dropping out.

Submission Guidelines:

- Film your video against a solid background (i.e. **NO** posters, street view, scenery, etc.) **Don't** film anything other than a video of yourself performing your rap or poem.
- Entry must be under three minutes.
- Make sure your video has good lighting. We want to see you in this conversation.
- **NO** music or sound effects other than your own voice.
- Video **MUST** be uploaded to your own (or your school's) YouTube account as a Private File, & **submitted by midnight on May, 20 2014**
- Email your entries YouTube link to **Brandie Macdonald**, brandiemacdonald@redcloudschool.org
- Entries must fit within the theme: Education. Again, we encourage youth to speak about successes, struggles, questions, stories related to graduation or dropping-out
- **Information to include in your email to Brandie:** First and Last Name, Email, Phone Number, Address/City/State, School (if applicable), Age, Year of Birth, Title of entry.

For questions, assistance with entries, wishing to hold writing & recording workshop in your area, and/or more information about the contest contact: Brandie Macdonald
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