MOCOMCON 2023

Dear Media Specialists at MCPS,

We are writing to invite your students to participate in the essay contest for **MoComCon 2023** - Montgomery County Public Libraries' (MCPL's) upcoming fandom convention **Saturday, January 14** at the **Germantown Library**. The contest takes place before the event and completed entries will be accepted ***Tuesday, November 1, 2022*** through ***Wednesday, December 14, 2022.***

The essay contest is for ages ***8-14*** years and you will need to answer the following prompt in **300-500 words**: ***"Who is your real-life superhero and why?"***

Games, books, and movies with heroes are popular. They come in all strengths, genders, and sizes. Tell us about a hero in your life.

In this essay, you should talk about who has been a "superhero" in your life, why you would consider them a hero, and how they have made an impact on you.

There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes awarded. Essay Prizes for the winning entries will be available for pickup at the contestant's selected MCPL branch after ***January 18, 2023.***

Essays must conform to the rules detailed on the entry form. Writers must complete the entry form and have a parent/guardian signature. Writers must submit the completed entry form with their essay electronically by the December 14 deadline.

- Essay must be the entrant's own original work.
- Content must be suitable for a family environment (no explicit images, words, or content).
- Electronic entries only - entries will not be accepted in person or by mail.
- Limit: one Essay entry per person.

Please see attached entry form for complete contest details. Feel free to share the form electronically with your colleagues and students, or print copies as needed. The forms can also be accessed and downloaded from the MoComCon landing page on MCPL's website.

On behalf of the MoComCon Committee, we look forward to reading your students' entries. Thank you for helping us spread the word!

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/programs/mocomcon.html

Thank you,

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