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Essay Contest

Annie The Musical: Family – All the Same and a Perfect Fit

"Maybe they're strict. As straight as a line...Don't really care. As long as they're mine!"

– Annie

What is a family? How are families alike? What makes your family a perfect fit?

DIRECTIONS: Write an essay that explains what the word "family" means to you. What makes your family like other families, and what makes your family perfect for you?

RULES: Please submit only one entry per person. All essays must be typed and double-spaced with 12-point font or neatly printed (black or blue ink). All entries must include a title and must be the writer's original work.

Category #1...[Grades 1 to 6](#): up to 500 words

Category #2...[Grades 7 to 12](#): up to 800 words

Please include with each entry:

- Student Essay
- Essay Contest Entry Form
- Essay Contest Release Form

CRITERIA: Essays will be evaluated by a panel of judges according to the following:

- Creativity and originality
- Clearly articulate the writer's position on family and response to the questions
- Well organized and coherent presentation of details
- Understanding of subject matter
- Appropriate use of grammar.

PRIZES: First-place winners in each category will receive:

- 1) Tickets to *Annie The Musical* at Citi Performing Arts Center Wang Theatre
- 3) *Annie The Musical* merchandise
- 4) An iPad and projector for your classroom

SUBMISSION: (Please submit either by email or by mail.)

By email: Complete Entry Form, Release and send with Essay as attachments to NIEcontest@globe.com. Please type "Annie Essay Contest" in the subject field.

By mail: Complete Entry Form, Release and send with Essay to The Boston Globe, c/o News in Education, 135 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125.

DEADLINE: All entries must be RECEIVED at The Boston Globe no later than **Thursday, Oct. 30** at 5 pm.