

10/18/2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

All third graders have a required writing homework assignment. The theme of this writing is "Heroes Around Us." Please help your child write a personal story about the theme and use the attached rubric as a guide. This story can be about a hero in their life (family member, coach, neighbor, etc...) or someone famous (sports star, community leader, etc...). Remember to have your child write the story, you may help, but he/she needs to do the actual writing.

The writing paper is included in this packet. Please have your child write the title of their writing on the top shorter line followed by his/her first name (Example: My Hero by Sue). Please do not include your child's last name on the writing paper (for Reflections purposes). Your child should write their story on the longer lines below the title/first name line.

"Heroes Around Us" is also the theme for the Reflections contest this year. If your child would like to submit his/her writing for the Reflections contest, please sign and return the attached consent form. If your child participates in the Reflections contest, he/she will earn 2 extra credit points on this assignment.

This homework assignment is due by Thursday, November 1st.

Thank You,  
Mrs. Guyot  
Mrs. Warneck  
Mrs. Wesley

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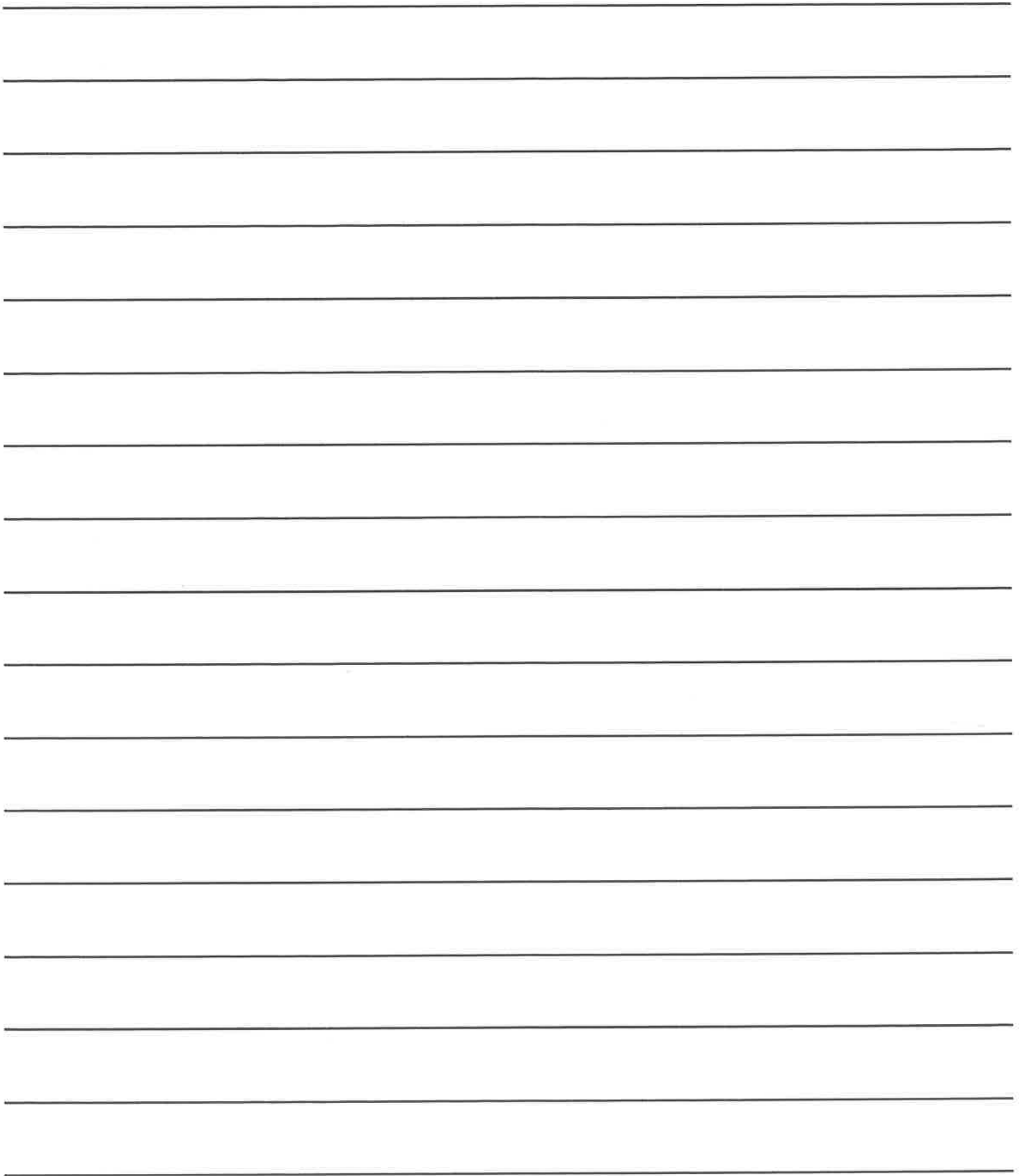
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ENTRY FORM

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STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE 3 AGE \_\_\_\_\_ CLASSROOM \_\_\_\_\_  
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STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE DIVISION (Check One)

- PRIMARY (Pre-K-Grade 2)
- INTERMEDIATE (Grades 3-5)
- MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)
- HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)
- SPECIAL ARTIST (All Grades)

ARTS CATEGORY (Check One)

- DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY
- FILM PRODUCTION
- LITERATURE
- MUSIC COMPOSITION
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- VISUAL ARTS

TITLE OF WORK \_\_\_\_\_ DETAILS \_\_\_\_\_

If background music is used in dance/film, citation is required. Include word count for literature. List musician(s) or instrumentation for music. List dimensions for photography/visual arts.

ARTIST STATEMENT (in 10 to 100 words, describe your work and how it relates to the theme)

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Writing Rubric

A rubric is a chart that helps you when you write and revise.  
Score 6 tells you what to aim for in your writing.

	• Focus • Support	• Organization	• Word Choice • Voice	• Conventions • Sentence Fluency
<b>Score 6</b>	My writing is focused and supported by facts or details.	My writing has an introduction and conclusion. Ideas are clearly organized.	Ideas are linked with words and phrases. Words are specific. My voice connects with the reader in a unique way.	My writing has no errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There are a variety of sentences.
<b>Score 5</b>	My writing is mostly focused and supported by facts or details.	My writing has an introduction and a conclusion. Ideas are mostly organized.	Most ideas are linked with words and phrases. Words are specific. My voice connects with the reader.	My writing has few errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There is some variety of sentences.
<b>Score 4</b>	My writing is mostly focused and supported by some facts or details.	My writing has an introduction and a conclusion. Most ideas are organized.	Some ideas are linked with words and phrases. Some words are specific. My voice connects with the reader.	My writing has some errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There is some variety of sentences.
<b>Score 3</b>	Some of my writing is focused and supported by some facts or details.	My writing has an introduction or a conclusion, but might be missing one. Some ideas are organized.	Some ideas are linked with words or phrases. Few words are specific. My voice may connect with the reader.	My writing has some errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There is little variety of sentences.
<b>Score 2</b>	My writing is not focused and is supported by few facts or details.	My writing might not have an introduction or a conclusion. Few ideas are organized.	Ideas may be linked with words or phrases. Few words are specific. My voice may connect with the reader.	My writing has many errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There is little variety of sentences. Some sentences are incomplete.
<b>Score 1</b>	My writing is not focused or supported by facts or details.	My writing is missing an introduction and a conclusion. Few or no ideas are organized.	Ideas may not be linked with words or phrases. No words are specific. My voice does not connect with the reader.	My writing has many errors in spelling, grammar, capitalization, or punctuation. There is no variety of sentences. Sentences are incomplete.