



“Give Kids Good Schools” Essay Competition

Students from the Humanitas program describe in their own words what makes their school good. L.A. Education Partnership has selected four winners in an essay contest.

Winning essays are excerpted below:

LAEP, in conjunction with the Public Education Network’s “Give Kids Good Schools: Week 11th to 17th, 2009”, sponsored an essay writing contest for students, giving them the chance to tell others what makes their Humanitas Program great.

Bea A.
Junior
Carson High School

"My classes aren't like the regular classes I've had before. My Humanitas teachers make everything interesting; they're caring and they help us with everything they've got. Everything we talk about connects in odd ways. That's when our motto, 'nothing in isolation' comes into play, meaning that nothing or no one is ever alone, everything connects."

Melanie G.
Senior
El Camino Real High School

"Humanitas brings students, teachers and parents together to develop academic skills and make the learning experience unique. It is an exceptional community in which what we have been taught in English ties into what we study in science, history and even math. This is because the program is created upon thematic units that are designed to encourage students to make connections between different subjects."

Feliciana D.
Senior
Chatsworth High School

"You may ask yourself, 'What is Humanitas?' Well, Humanitas is one of the various small learning communities offered at Chatsworth High School. Humanitas is a great program based primarily on preparing students to be successful in college and helping the community. It is a chance to give to your community and learn from it."

Clarra L.
Sophomore
Cleveland High School

"Humanitas...is an experience that no one should be going to college without. Our Cleveland Humanitas program will change any person's view for the better. The program and its staff members have worked hard to provide the necessary skills and knowledge to have for college and life ahead."

