



THE RAYMOND ANDREWS PRIZE

Submission Guidelines for 2024-2025

Please be sure to follow all requirements related to your application. Failure to comply with any of the requirements listed below may result in disqualification from award contention. Submission forms may be downloaded at mcaam.org/Raymond-Andrews-Prize or completed digitally as part of online entry.

- Submissions are limited to fiction and narrative non-fiction. Do not submit expository, analytical or research essays.
- Prose only. No poetry submissions are accepted.
- No entries will be accepted after March 10, 2025
- Entries must be submitted online or at one of the official entry points. Entry points include The Morgan County African American Museum and the classroom of Mr. Holly Schultz, MCHS.
- All entries must have a cover page with the name of the entry and the name of the entrant. That means your name and the name of your story. Title should ALSO appear on the first page of the body of the story.
- Entrant's name must NOT appear anywhere on the manuscript. The name should appear only on the Entry Form and the Cover Page.
- Please number all pages of the body of the story
- Hard-copy entries should be accompanied by an official Entry Form. Online entries will complete the Entry Form digitally at the time of submission.
- Limit one entry per student
- There is no entry fee
- Winners must participate in the official public reading event to claim awards
- Entries must be original and unpublished
- Students must either live in Morgan County and take high school classes (homeschool or any other school) OR be enrolled in a Morgan County High School.

Format

Typed, double-spaced, using only Times or Times New Roman font at 12 pt. size

Please include page numbers on every page

Entries shall not exceed 2500 words

All text should be black with a white background and printed on white paper

Do not embed pictures, graphics, or non-text material in documents

Reviewer Focus

Judges are looking for narrative craftsmanship, originality and command of language.

Awards

Final placement decisions are up to the guest judge. Number of Honorable Mentions and placements may vary depending upon discretion of the judge and/or reader panel.