

THANKSGIVING ESSAYS AND CONTRIBUTIONS SD 46

GEORGE AMEDORE November 24, 2015



Dear Participant,

Thank you for your wonderful contribution to the Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration. We received outstanding poems, essays, and artwork that exemplify the creativity of New York State's young people.

The submissions received are remarkable in what they represent – showing gratitude and

respect for family, friends, our troops fighting overseas, and many other important subjects and activities. I am humbled and honored to see such inspiring contributions in response to what is a deceptively difficult question: "What are you thankful for?"

On behalf of the New York State Senate, I would like to offer my wholehearted congratulations to all of the participants in this year's Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration.

Sincerely,

Senator George A. Amedore

Bennett Intermediate School

- Shayne Durkin
- Scarlette Ragues

Berne-Knox-Westerlo Elementary School

• Ashlyn Hanley

Cahill Elementary

- Amelia na
- Andrew na
- Brianna na
- Cathrine na
- Danica na
- Elizabeth na
- Ethan na
- Fiona na
- Genevieve na
- Hailey na
- Haylee na
- Jackson na
- Michael na
- Michaela na
- RJ na
- Ryan na

Catskill Middle School

• Kendall Pedersen

Coxsackie Elementary

- John Bruno
- Zadock Favicchio
- Kendall Frisbee
- Fallon Greenaway
- Hannah Lauria
- Ellie McCarthy
- Ellie McCarthy
- Brittany Mosley
- Martin Mosley
- Olivia Saunders
- Alexander Slater
- Matthew VanDam
- Mireida Villaronga

Robert Graves Elementary School

• Cody Mowris

St. Mary's Institute

• Graden Murphy

William H. Barkley Microsociety

• Damien Hayes