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Patty Ritchie

## Ritchie Encourages Students to Take Part in “Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration”

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As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, State Senator Patty Ritchie is encouraging young students to show their creativity when answering the question, “What are you thankful for?”

Senator Ritchie is hosting a special program for students in kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grades, where they can write an original poem, essay or create artwork to express what they are thankful for in the past year. Senator Ritchie will then post each submission to a special page

on her [website](#), and provide each student will a special certificate as well.

"Year after year, I am so impressed with the artwork, poems and essays submitted as part of my annual 'Thanksgiving Day Creative Celebration' program," said Senator Ritchie.

"It's incredibly heartwarming to see young people express what they are thankful for during this special time of year, and I again encourage students in grades kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> to show me what they're thankful for by participating in this program."

When a child has finished his or her creative work, it, or a photo of it, can be submitted—via jpeg or PDF format—via a special page on [Senator Ritchie's website](#). Teachers may submit entries from their students as well. Submissions are due November 25<sup>th</sup>.