

Letter to My Parents[™] Contest in Hawai'i 2016

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Share your 'Ohana Story in a Letter ***Now Accepting Submissions for the 2016 Letter to My Parents[™] Contest*** ***Three Award Recipients will receive \$500!***

Do you have a story to share about your 'ohana as you were growing up in Hawai'i? Write an essay in a letter format and enter to win in the fourth annual ***Letter to My Parents[™] Contest*** organized by **Kalamansi Books & Things, Sariling Gawa Youth Council, Inc., and Reiyukai America.**

Ten winners will be selected where each of them will receive **\$50 Gift Certificates** and a **Yearlong test-prep course subscription** courtesy of BenchPrep! Among the ten, three contestants who presented the most share-worthy letter will receive \$500.

Letter to My Parents[™] Contest in Hawai'i is open to Hawai'i residents ages 14 to 22 years who would like to express their experiences and feelings towards their parents or legal guardians. Participants are encouraged to submit work illustrating examples from personal 'OHANA life; reflecting family relationships and interactions. Suggested topics include:

- *What do my parent(s) or guardian(s) mean to me?*
- *What would I like to do for my parent(s)?*
- *How have my parents' experiences and influence affected or shaped the person I am today?*
- *How I can improve relationships in my 'ohana?*

Submit entries to **www.LetterToMyParents.com** (Click the Hawai'i Contest Icon) by October 21, 2016. Entries can be in any language used in the State of Hawai'i, but an English translation is required. Contestants 17 years old and under must submit a Parental/Guardian consent form.

Ten finalists will be selected and will be invited to present their letters to judges at the Final Presentation Announcement during the Reiyukai 'Ohana Day Celebration at the Hawaii's Plantation Village in Waipahu, scheduled to be held on Saturday, November 19, 2016

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