"I Am the Dream and the Dream is Now" Poetry Contest

The Sacramento Regional Transit District (RT) is celebrating its 4th annual Season of Civil Rights with a series of events during the months of December, January and February to build awareness about the significant role that transit played in the American Civil Rights Movement.

In preparation, RT invites students in grades 3 through 12, who attend a school within RT’s service area, to participate in the "I Am the Dream and the Dream is Now" poetry contest.

Submitted poems must be 10 lines or less and be original work. All entries are required to relate to the theme of transit and civil rights. Nine entries will be selected, three from each grade category: 3rd through 6th, 7th through 9th, and 10th through 12th.

Winners will receive a $25 bookstore gift card and "The Rosa Parks Story" DVD.

RT will display the winning poems on RT interior transit cards in buses in January and February to commemorate RT’s Season of Civil Rights. Winning poems will also be on display at special events during the campaign.

Submissions must be received by Friday, December 16, 2011. To enter, visit www.sacrt.com and click on the Season of Civil Rights link or mail it to:

Sacramento Regional Transit District
Attn: Season of Civil Rights Poetry Contest
P.O. Box 2110
Sacramento, CA 95812-2110

All entries must include student’s name, grade, school, teacher and contact information.

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