

Top Dads Essay Contest Entry Form







Do you have a **<u>GREAT</u>** dad or father figure (uncle, grandfather, stepfather, brother, teacher, or other great role model)? If you're between the ages of 5 and 17, *Building Peaceful Families*, in partnership with the San Francisco 49ers and the Santa Clara County Office of Education's Foster Youth Services (FYS) program, invites you to nominate your dad/father figure for the annual **Top Dads Award**. It's easy: just follow the Contest Requirements below to enter!

Your dad/father figure could be one of 50 Bay Area "Top Dads" honored at a special luncheon on June 10, 2011, at the San Jose Airport Garden Hotel (1740 N. First Street, San Jose). Winners will receive a Certificate of Excellence, fantastic prizes, and a proclamation from the City of San Jose. For submitting a winning essay, <u>you</u> will be invited to join your dad/father figure at the luncheon, where you will receive a Certificate of Excellence, along with some great prizes.



Contest Requirements

To participate in this contest, you must be 5 to 17 years of age and submit a one-page essay (300 words or less) describing why your dad/father figure is special and should be selected as a Top Dad. Provide some examples, including describing your joys, frustrations, or special memories and how your dad/father figure spends time with the family. Finally, end with a comment about what qualities your dad/father figure has that you would like to carry on into your adult life.

The essay must be written by you (typed or hand-written) in legible English. Contest prize age categories: 5-7; 8-10; 11-13; and 14-17. All of the judges' decisions will be final.

Contact Details (all information is required; this form must be attached to essay)

Your Name:	Your Age:
Dad/Father Figure's Name:	
Address:	
City:	Zip Code:
Dad's Email:	Phone Number:
Your School/Organization:	
School Address:	
School City:	School Phone:
Teacher's Name:	
Teacher's Email:	Teacher's Phone:

Submit your essay and application, <u>along with a photo</u> of you and your dad/father figure, to: Building Peaceful Families – Top Dads Essay Contest

P.O. Box 261, Campbell, CA 95009-0261

OR email to: buildingpeacefulfamilies@yahoo.com OR fax to: (815) 846-2204

For additional information, contact Building Peaceful Families at (408) 718-2375

All essays and entry forms must be received by May 13, 2011.

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