

City of Biloxi and Movers and Shakers Social Club, Inc. present

# JUNETEENTH

## Essay Contest

WHY CELEBRATING  
JUNETEENTH IS IMPORTANT

**Ages: 11-13 and 14-18**

- 500 words or more
- Must be legible and readable
- Must be in a pocket folder
- Must be signed on back with parent's name and phone number
- **Deadline to turn in is Friday, June 6, 2025 at 4 p.m.**  
Drop off at the Parks & Recreation Office, 377 Hiller Drive,  
or email to Sherry Bell, [cbell@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:cbell@biloxi.ms.us), and/or  
to Melanie Nelson, [mnelson@forest.k12.ms.us](mailto:mnelson@forest.k12.ms.us)
  - Cash prizes for top 3 winners in each age group!  
1st – \$150 • 2nd – \$50 • 3rd – \$25
  - Each participant will receive a medal
- Winner will be recognized at the Juneteenth Festival,  
Saturday, June 14 at 5 p.m.

For more information,  
contact Parks & Recreation  
at 228-388-7170 or email  
[cbell@biloxi.ms.us](mailto:cbell@biloxi.ms.us).



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