Student Stories Call for Applications: Content for Newsletters

OSPI’s Student Stories program invites students in grades 9-12 at Washington’s public schools to write stories for publication. Thank you for helping to spread the word about this opportunity! Below, find text that you can include in your email communications. The text has been written for both adult and student audiences. Please feel free to make adjustments based on your organization’s tone and audience.

*Adult-facing:*

# Help student writers amplify their voices!

Washington State's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) is launching a new program for student writers! The Student Stories program invites students in grades 9-12 to contribute their writing over the course of the year, and will pay students $50 per contribution. To participate, students must be currently enrolled in a public school or state-tribal education compact school in Washington. Learn more about the program in the attachment!

OSPI is the primary state agency charged with overseeing public K-12 education, and works to prepare every student for postsecondary pathways, careers, and civic engagement. OSPI values diversity, equity, and inclusion, and the Student Stories program intends to amplify the voices of students from all backgrounds. Please inform the student writers in your life of this opportunity! **The deadline to apply is June 16, 2023,** and the [online application can be found here](https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7285075/Student-Stories-Application).

*Student-facing:*

# Get your voice heard across Washington!

Are you a public school student in Washington? Do you want to see your writing in a statewide publication? Are you interested in what goes on at your school and with your classmates? If you answered yes, apply for the Student Stories program!

The Student Stories program invites students in grades 9-12 to write 4 stories that will be published in a statewide publication over the course of a year. **You will be paid $50 for each story you write!** To be eligible, you must be currently enrolled in a public school or state-tribal education compact school in Washington.

**The deadline to apply is June 16, 2023!** Find the [online application here](https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7285075/Student-Stories-Application), and learn more about the program in the attached flyer.

The Student Stories program is presented by Washington State's Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), the primary state government agency charged with overseeing public K-12 education. For more information, contact OSPI's Communications Team at commteam@k12.wa.us.