



**YOUTH CRIME WATCH  
OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**

***ANNUAL POSTER AND ESSAY CONTEST GUIDELINES***

1. Open to all Miami-Dade County Public Schools students.
2. Each school should set a preliminary deadline for the contests prior to our deadline of **Friday, April 7, 2017**. Solicit school personnel to judge your school's entries. **The top 3 from each contest** will be forwarded to our office for final review and selection. *Elementary schools are eligible to submit 3 entries from each contest for both elementary level 1 (K-2<sup>nd</sup>) and elementary level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>).*
3. The entries selected to represent your school will compete against other schools that participate in the contest. We will select a first, second, and third place winner from elementary level 1 (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), elementary level 2 (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>), middle (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>), and senior high (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) levels. A total of **24** student art and literary works will receive awards.
4. All entries must have the student's first & last name, school, grade level, and please also include the name and the e-mail address of the YCW School Advisor or Faculty Representative responsible for coordinating the contest at the school.
5. **Poster Contest: Deadline- Friday, April 7, 2017**  
Size: standard poster board- 22" x 28", 18" x 24", or 12" x 18". It may be done in color or black & white. Students should create a drawing reflecting the Contest Theme. Students must prepare & create their posters individually.
6. **Essay Contest: Deadline- Friday, April 7, 2017**  
300-500 words, typewritten. Contest Theme should be reflected in essay. Students must prepare & create their essays individually.
7. YCW School Advisors and Contest Coordinators , please mail all entries to:  
**Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County**  
**School Mail Code=9913/YCW**, prior to the deadline date. *Please also include an accompanying file listing your school's name, first & last name of students entered, their grade levels, and your full name, title, and e-mail address.*

**Contest opens on Monday, February 27, 2017 and closes on Friday, April 7, 2017. Questions? Please contact Youth Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County at 305-468-1302 or e-mail to [Joel@citizenscrimewatch.org](mailto:Joel@citizenscrimewatch.org)**