

2019-2020 Editorial Calendar

September 2019 – *The Best of Kids Standard 2019-2020*

October 2019 – *Role Models*

A role model is a person who serves as an example by influencing others. Role models influence our decisions and actions and shape us into who we are. Why is having good role models important? Who are your positive role models? Reflect on how role models help us uncover our true potential and overcome our weakness. Write about your personal experiences and people in your life, who serve as your role models. Research and write about famous people, who could be considered good role models for everyone. What can we learn from these people?

November 2019 — *The Value of Grit*

Life is full of up and downs. It is very easy to give up on something when things get hard. That's why to be successful in life one needs to develop grit. Grit can be defined as one's ability to accomplish long term goals despite the obstacles and no matter how long it may take. Reflect on the value that grit has in our life and how failure can help develop grit and perseverance. Write about your personal experiences accomplishing something after multiple tries. What life lessons did you learn through these experiences? Think about how failure and grit are connected with each other. Share stories of inventions that took years to develop. Research famous people, whose life accomplishments resulted in from their grit and perseverance.

December 2019 – *Global Problem Solving*

A lot of problems in the world today spread across many countries, time zones, and technologies. Offer your thoughts on what global issues require immediate attention. Why is it important to solve these problems and why is it difficult at times to solve them? Research important global issues and what is being done to solve them. Write about school or life experiences that helped you become aware of global problems and understand people from other countries. Is there one problem that you would like to solve? Why so? Do you have a perspective on a world problem that you would like to share?

January 2020- *I Have a Dream*

Dreaming for big goals is very important. Some dreams may even change the course of your entire life. They motivate, inspire, and help you in achieving your goals. Is doing

something makes your eyes spark and heart beat faster? Is there something that you can do forever and hardly notice the time? What is your dream? How does it help you in life? How does having this dream help your connections with other people? What personal qualities and traits does it help you develop?

February 2020 – *Travel through Space*

Space can be a wondrous place. What would life be like if we were able to move between solar systems and galaxies like we currently travel between countries and continents? Would life for children be similar to our today, or would it be drastically different? Offer your perspective on whether there is life out there. Research the different types of stars to figure out which one might support life. Research the definition of planets and examine them. Write about astronomers and their inventions. Address current space-related issues and their potential solutions.

March 2020 - *My America*

We all have our own America – places that we love to visit, customs that we like to follow, and beliefs that we share. What is your America? Share what you like about the country and which places are important to you. Write about America’s geography, culture, history, events, and issues. Research and write about important people who had a big impact on this country. Offer your perspective on anything related to our country’s past, present, and future

April 2020 – *Life in Motion*

Any regular physical activity can relieve stress, anxiety, depression, and anger. What are other benefits of being active? What gets you up and moving? Write about your favorite physical activity, sport, dance, or fitness routine. Why is it important to you? How does it make you feel? Share stories of athletes, dancers, and other people whose lives revolve around motion.

May 2020 - *Creators and Makers*

What is creativity? How can a creative mindset be developed? Do you consider yourself a creative person? Write about various activities that help you be creative. Why do you enjoy them? What do you learn through them? Research various inventors and creators in any industry and offer your perspective on what helped them succeed in creating something important.

June 2020 - *Michigan Youth Project Issue*