



The 4th EDITION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS EXCELLENCE AWARD Restricted call for Applications

The 4th Edition of the Human Rights Excellence Award is a combined initiative of the National Commission on Human Rights and Freedoms (NCHRF) and an organization called *Cameroon Youths and Students Forum for Peace (CAMYOSFOP)*. It is part of the activities marking the celebration of the upcoming International Human Rights Day on December 10th, 2017.

The Human Rights Excellence Award aims at valorizing and promoting the Human Rights principles and values contained in the Universal Declaration on Human Rights of 1948. The Award is open to secondary school students in Yaounde.

It is therefore expected of candidates to submit handwritten article on one of the following topics, in line with human rights and freedoms related issues:

1. **What is the importance of going to school?**
2. **How can health care be made more accessible in Cameroon?**
3. **Is it possible to organize public gatherings without disrupting peace?**

NB: The first three (3) laureates shall each receive an Attestation of Excellence in Human Rights and a special trophy from the Chairperson of the NCHRF, Dr. CHEMUTA Divine BANDA, during an official ceremony to mark the 2017 edition of the International Human Rights Day.

Methodology

Application files in English or French must contain:

- a handwritten article on one of the aforementioned topics, with emphasis on human rights related issues;
- an information sheet containing the candidate's name, surname, date and place of birth, school, complete address and contact of guardian/teacher, etc.

Marking criteria

Handwritten articles shall be marked on twenty (20) points as thus:

- understanding of the topic: 5 pts;
- pertinence of the message and argumentation developed 5pts;
- logical coherence and argumentation: 5 pts;
- presentation and respect of spelling grammatical rules: 5 pts

NB : An excessive number of language errors disqualifies the candidate.

Handwritten articles must not exceed 500 words.

The selection process shall be done by a special jury put in place by the NCHRF, which will not consider any article that does not meet the above requirements and is not in accordance with the principles and values of Human rights

Applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “**Human Rights Excellence Award**”, at the Head office of the Commission in Yaounde, located at the 2nd floor of the SGBC building, opposite the Chambers of Agriculture.

Deadline for applications is **20 November 2017 at 4:30 p.m.**

For any further information, please get in touch with Mr. AMANYE BOTIBA Philippe, Head of the Promotion Unit at the NCHRF, telephone number: 694742054.

List of the 20 Secondary schools selected for the 4th edition of the 2017 Human Rights Excellence Award

1. Lycée Général Lederc
2. Lycée Bilingue d'Application
3. Lycée Bilingue d'Etoug-Ebe
4. Lycée Bilingue de Yaoundé
5. Lycée Bilingue de Nkol-Eton
6. Lycée de Mballa II
7. Lycée de Nkol-Ndongo
8. Lycée de Biyem-Assi
9. Lycée d'Anguissa
10. Collège de la Retraite
11. Collège la Gaieté
12. Collège Montesquieu
13. Lycée de la Cité Verte
14. Amity International College

15. Mario Complex Academy
16. English High School
17. Mevick Bilingual Grammar School
18. Holy Infant Secondary School
19. Oxford Secondary School
20. Christian Comprehensive Secondary School