



“If I Were Mayor...” Essay Contest Winners

Municipal Council of Mayor (MCO) and the Oklahoma Municipal League (OML) are proud to announce the winners of the 2016-2017 “If I Were Mayor...” essay contest winners. This year we were excited to received hundreds of essays and are seeing a real interest from both the teachers and the students. They are learning the important role mayors play in their communities.

The winners of this year’s “If I Were Mayor...” essay contest are:

1st place – [Zoey Cranford](#), Calera Public Schools, Calera

2nd place – [Rylee Louthan](#), Leedey Middle School, Leedey

3rd place – [Hayleigh Boswell](#), Warner High School, Warner

MCO and OML applaud all contestants and teachers for their entries.

These 8th grade students came up with bold, fresh and innovating ideas for bringing tourism and development to their communities. One student envisioned an open government and willingness to invite the citizens of the community to offer their ideas for their town. It’s this type of forward thinking that will help bring us out of the economic downturn our communities face today. It is very encouraging to see the imaginations of our students today, for they will be our leaders of tomorrow.

Congratulations to our winners and a very big thank you to all who participated. We look forward to the 2017-2018 “If I Were Mayor...” essay contest with great anticipation!