***Stop it at the Start* *–* Respect Stories – PROMOTION**

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND CONSENT**

**Introduction**

1. Information on how to enter the competition, the collection of personal information and the prizes to be won form part of these Terms and Conditions. By entering the competition, entrants are indicating their agreement to be bound by these Terms and Conditions. The Promoter has the right, at its sole discretion and at any time, to change or modify these Terms and Conditions.
2. The Promoter is the Department of Social Services (ABN 36 342 015 855), whose registered office is Enid Lyons Building, 71 Athllon Drive, Greenway ACT 2900 (‘**the Promoter’**).
3. Entry is open to Australian residents who are aged between 10 and 14 years old during the Promotional Period (‘**Eligible Entrants’**). All Eligible Entrants must have approval to enter from their parent or guardian. The parent or guardian of the Eligible Entrant must read and consent to these Terms and Conditions.
4. Eligible Entrants and their parents or guardians must give consent and be willing to participate in promotional activities including speaking to the media and/or providing quotes for media materials.
5. Employees of the Promoter and their children are not eligible to enter.
6. The Promoter may in its sole discretion disqualify an entrant who submits an entry that the Promoter has reason to believe does not comply with these Terms and Conditions or has engaged in any unlawful or improper misconduct which is judged to put at risk the fair and proper conduct of the competition in any way.
7. The competition opens at 9:00am on Tuesday 31 May 2022 and closes at 11:59pm on Friday 22 July 2022 (‘**competition period’**). All times are AEST, as applicable in the Australian Capital Territory.
8. Entries must be received before the end of the competition period. No entries will be accepted after the competition has closed. The Promoter accepts no responsibility for any entries not received on time (whether or not due to any negligence by the Promoter), including without limitation any technical errors or IT issues.

**How to enter**

1. To enter the competition, the Eligible Entrant must complete the following steps during the Competition Period to submit an “entry”:
	1. Visit [www.respect.gov.au/respectstories](http://www.idpwd.com.au/growinclusion)
	2. Produce an original written work of up to 1,000 words OR an illustration on the theme and written description of up to 200 words of ‘what respect means to me’ (‘**Respect Story**’ or ‘**Illustration**’).
	3. Download and complete the entry form. By signing the entry form, the parent or guardian of the Eligible Entrant is agreeing to these Terms and Conditions.
	4. Email the Respect Story or Illustration together with the completed entry form to respect@dss.gov.au
2. Only one (1) entry is permitted per Eligible Entrant.
3. Entrants much comply with the specified file types and limits:
	1. Written stories must be submitted in Word or PDF format and must be no longer than 1,000 words in length total.
	2. Illustrations must be submitted as an electronic high-resolution photograph or scan of the original artwork in PDF, png, or jpeg format. The file size must not exceed 10MB. Accompanying written descriptions must be submitted in word or PDF format and must be no longer than 200 words in total.
4. This is a competition of skill, as such chance plays no part in determining the winner.
5. A committee of judges (‘**Judging Committee**’) will be appointed by the Promoter.
6. Entries will be judged individually based on the literary and creative merit against the promotional prompt (what respect means to me).
7. The best entries as determined by the Judging Committee, will receive the prizes. All entrants acknowledge and agree that there is an element of subjectivity in the judging criteria.
8. Eligible Entrants warrant and agree that:
	1. The entry is the original creation of the entrant.
	2. The entry is not in breach of any intellectual property rights and that they have secured all the necessary intellectual property rights in relation to their entry. The Promoter accepts no responsibility in the event that the entrant has not done so.
	3. They comply with all applicable laws.
	4. The content is not defamatory and is suitable for publication.
9. Incomplete, indecipherable or ineligible entries will be deemed invalid. The Promoter reserves the right to verify the validity of entries and entrants (including the entrant’s identity, age and address).
10. The Promoter may disqualify any entrant who submits an entry that is not in accordance with or breaches the Terms and Conditions, who tampers with the entry process or who submits an entry that the Promoter, in its sole discretion deems to be offensive, inappropriate, defamatory or otherwise not in keeping with the spirit of the competition.

**Prize**

1. Eight (8) winners, as determined by the Judging Committee, will each have their entry published in the Respect Stories book/eBook and win a $500 prepaid Visa gift card for themselves and a $500 prepaid Visa gift card for their school library (‘**Prize**’). There will be one winner selected from each state and territory in Australia.Where for a particular state and/or territory, there is no entry, or there is an invalid entry or ineligible entrant, or an entry which does not perform well against the criteria, the Judging Committee may reallocate the prize to a reserve winner from another state and/or territory.
2. The Prize is as stated and no cash or other alternatives will be offered. The Prize is not transferable.
3. The Prize is subject to availability and where reasonable the Promoter reserves the right to substitute the Prize with another of equivalent value without giving notice.
4. There is no entry fee and/or purchase necessary to enter the competition.
5. Any costs associated with entering the competition or claiming of the Prize is the responsibility of the entrant. The Promoter takes no responsibility for any costs incurred by the entrant (and there will be no reimbursement of any costs) in the course of taking part in the competition.
6. The winner will be chosen in August 2022 by the Judging Committee appointed by the Promoter.
7. The winner will be notified by email and advised how the Prize can be claimed.
8. The onus is on the winner to contact the Promoter within 7 days to claim the Prize. If the winner fails to do so, the Promoter reserves the right to withdraw the Prize from the winner and pick a replacement winner.
9. The Judging Committee may select additional reserve winners (in addition to the initially selected winners), which they determine to be the next best, and record them in order of merit, in case of an invalid entry or ineligible entrant.

**Privacy consent**

1. Personal information collected by the Promoter relating to each entrant and entry for the purpose of the competition will be used and handled in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988*, Australian Privacy Principles and the Promoter’s [Privacy Policy](https://www.dss.gov.au/privacy-policy).
2. The Promoter may, solely for the purpose of judging and selecting the winning entry, disclose personal information to the Judging Committee appointed by the Promoter.
3. Personal information of entrants will not be disclosed to any other third party without the entrant’s prior consent.

**General**

1. The Promoter’s decision in respect of all matters to do with the competition will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
2. By submitting an entry, and accepting the Prize, the winning entrant grants to the Promoter, a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive licence (including a right to sub-licence) to use, reproduce, communicate, publish, adapt, modify and exploit its entry in any public material of the Promoter, for an unlimited period without compensation, for any purposes related to the *Stop it at the Start* - Respect Stories competition.
3. Furthermore, Eligible Entrants consent to the Promoter using the Eligible Entrant’s name, likeness, image and/or voice, including photograph, film and/or recording of the same (‘**Eligible Entrant Material’**) in any media, including on any social media platform, for an unlimited period without remuneration for any purpose related to the *Stop it at the Start* - Respect Stories competition.
4. The Eligible Entrant releases the Promoter from all liability whatsoever related to the use of the Eligible Entrant Material in any media, including any social media platform, relating to the competition.
5. The Promoter may use the Eligible Entrant Material in any form, in whole or in part, and in any medium including in print, on the internet or other multi-media uses, relating to the competition.
6. The competition is not sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with YouTube, Facebook, or any other social network platform.
7. The Promoter reserves the right to cancel the competition, without prior notice that it intends to do so, in the event of:
	1. a change in government policy in relation to the holding of the competition; or
	2. a catastrophe, health pandemic, war, civil or military disturbance, or any actual or anticipated breach of any applicable law or regulation or any other event outside of the Promoter’s control.

If the Promoter does cancel the competition details of the cancellation will be published as soon as possible, and cancellation will be effective immediately upon publishing on the www.respect.gov.au website.

1. The competition and these Terms and Conditions are governed by Australian law and any disputes will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Australia.

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**ENTRY FORM**

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| Entrant full name |  |
| Entrant date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) |  |
| Parent/guardian full name  |  |
| Street address |  |
| Suburb |  |
| Postcode  |  |
| State |  |
| Parent/guardian phone number  |  |
| Parent/guardian email address |  |
| School name\* |  |
| Supervising teacher’s full name  |  |
| Street address |  |
| Suburb |  |
| Postcode |  |
| State |  |
| School phone number |  |
| Supervising teacher’s email address |  |

*\*The school attended by each of the state or territory winners will be contacted to receive a $500 prepaid Visa gift card for their school library.*

**Personal Information Collection Notice**

Your personal information is being collected by the Department of Social Services (the Promoter) for the purpose of the *Stop it at the Start* Respect Stories competition. If you do not provide this information you will be unable to enter the competition. Your information will be used and handled in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988, Australian Privacy Principles and the Promoter’s Privacy Policy. Your personal information will be

* used by the Promoter to contact you in relation to the competition, and to verify the validity of your entry and entrant details (including your identity, age and address).
* disclosed to the Judging Committee appointed by the Promoter, for the purpose of judging and selecting the winning entry.

Your personal information will not otherwise be disclosed without your prior consent, unless required by law. Your personal information will not be disclosed to overseas recipients. For further information including how to access your information and how to make a complaint, see the Promoter’s Privacy Policy.

(Winners and reserve winners will be separately requested to be recorded and photographed – see the Terms and Conditions).

**Consent of parent/guardian**

By signing below, I state that I have read and agree to the *Stop it at the Start* Respect Stories competition terms and conditions and give consent for my child to enter.

SIGNATURE:

PRINT NAME:

DATE: