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Short Story and Drawing Competition Shines the Spotlight on Integrity

The Integrity Commission of Trinidad and Tobago has launched a Short Story and Drawing competition for students of all schools on the importance of integrity and ethics in the school or community.

School Principals are urged to submit the best two entries from among students of each Standard or Form of the Primary and Secondary school **before November 9th 2012**. No more than a 350 word Short Story from students of the Primary School. For secondary school students, Short Stories must not exceed 400 words. The winner in each category at the Education District level will be provided valuable prizes.

Students may wish to write Short Stories on either of the following topics: -

- An exciting event which showed how integrity and ethics are important to the school or community.
- Describe or relate an experience where a person or situation encouraged you to do the right thing always
- A situation that encouraged you to motivate others to 'do the right thing always' i.e. advocate personal character and integrity.

Short Stories show how integrity and ethics are important to the school or community and they help students to interact and process information while the Drawing competition seeks to encourage students to develop their imagination.

The contest is a public education approach by the Integrity Commission to spread the ideals and standards of integrity and ethics.

Last year (during a three-week period) the Commission received over 1,400 student entries from 180 schools in Short Story, Poem, Scenario scripts and Drawings on the theme of Integrity.

The Ministry of Education and the Tobago House of Assembly have approved the competition. Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, interpretation of the Integrity theme and the clear and positive message that it depicts. School Principals can collect registration materials from the Education District Office, the Integrity Commission or on-line at www.integritycommission.org.tt

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