

# **Black River Student takes second in national essay contest about the Holocaust**

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Josey Beird, a junior at Black River Public School, recently took second place in the national Holocaust Remembrance Project essay contest.

Josey's parents are Anna and Jeff Beird of Holland and Rebecca Overdorf is her English teacher at Black River.

The Holocaust Remembrance Project is a national essay contest for high school students designed to encourage and promote the study of the Holocaust.

Josey is a second place winner and will receive a medal and \$500. Her essay is online at the Holocaust Remembrance Project website ([holocaust.hklaw.com](http://holocaust.hklaw.com)).

Her essay deals with hope as well as grasping the center of intolerance as being self-centered.

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