



Press Release

The Central Bank Congratulates the 2022 Financial Literacy Video Essay Competition Winners

The Central Bank of The Bahamas congratulates the students who distinguished themselves in the 2022 Get Money Smart Bahamas Financial Literacy Video Essay Competition.

In its third year, the Competition engaged students from public and private institutions across The Bahamas, from the primary school level, up to university enrolment. The competition continued to deliver on its main goal of promoting more research on topics of relevance to the Bahamian economy, and improved outcomes for financial literacy. The 2022 video essay competition attracted over 70 entries. This year's theme was:

"Are Foreign Exchange Controls Still Relevant for The Bahamas?"

The Central Bank is pleased to recognise outstanding scholars in the following categories:

PRIMARY SCHOOL (Grades 4-6)

- Kaiden Burrows, First Place (\$2,500), Exuma Christian Academy, Exuma
- Caci Major, Semi-Finalist (\$800), St. Andrew's Anglican School, Exuma
- Anwar Rolle, Semi-Finalist (\$800), Sadie Curtis Primary School, New Providence
- Darielle Seymour, Semi-Finalist (\$800), Centreville Primary School, New Providence
- Taiden Culmer, Hon. Mention (\$300), Kingsway Academy, New Providence
- Ethan Martin, Hon. Mention (\$300), Excelsior Elementary, New Providence
- Jabari Lightbourne, Hon. Mention (\$300), Walter Parker Primary School, Grand Bahama

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 7-9)

- Cassidy Burrows, First Place (\$3,500), Exuma Christian Academy, Exuma
- Kimya Poitier, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), Lyford Cay International School, New Providence
- Kevin Williams, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), C. H. Reeves Jr. High School, New Providence
- Kaylee Burrows, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), Exuma Christian Academy, Exuma
- Azaria Louis, Hon. Mention (\$350), Mary Patricia Russell Jr. High School, Grand Bahama
- Amelia Hepburn, Hon. Mention (\$350), Aquinas College, New Providence
- Empress Brennen, Hon. Mention (\$350), C. H. Reeves Jr. High School, New Providence
- Breeanna Balfour, Hon. Mention (\$350), Aquinas College, New Providence

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 10-12)

- Zaria Stapleton, First Place (\$4,000), St. Augustine's College, New Providence
- Jalanna Pinder, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), Lucaya International School, Grand Bahama
- Donald Saunders II, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), St. John's College, New Providence

- Ashly Concepcion, Semi-Finalist (\$1,000), Boost Academy, New Providence
- Cydney Turnquest, Hon. Mention (\$500), Exuma Christian Academy, Exuma
- Kaylee Williamson, Hon. Mention (\$500), Anatol Rodgers High School, New Providence
- Andre Rolle, Hon. Mention (\$500), St. Augustine's College, New Providence
- Makayla Kerr, Hon. Mention (\$500), Kingsway Academy, New Providence

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY

- Merisha Butler, First Place (\$5,000), University of The Bahamas, New Providence
- Celeste Adderley, Semi-Finalist (\$1,200), UWI School of Clinical Medicine, New Providence
- Yolanda Johnson, Semi-Finalist (\$1,200), University of The Bahamas, New Providence
- Devard Campbell, Hon. Mention (\$700), LJM Maritime Academy , New Providence
- Jhadyn Brown, Hon. Mention (\$700), University of The Bahamas, New Providence

These entries will be published on the Central Bank's social media pages.

A five-member panel of judges reviewed the entries. These were Ms. Tanya McCartney, CEO, Bahamas Financial Services Board; Mr. Rupert Pinder, Economist; Ms. Latoya Smith, Senior Advisor, IMF Executive Board; Ms. Nahaja Black, Economist; Mr. Ian Fernander, Retired Employee of the Central Bank of The Bahamas.

The Central Bank looks forward to engaging with scholars again in 2023.

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