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City Public Libraries and The Great Khalid Foundation Launch Father's Day Essay Contest

EL PASO, Texas— The City of El Paso Public Libraries is partnering with The Great Khalid Foundation to host an essay contest that honors fathers or paternal figures in celebration of Father's Day.

The contest is open to students between the ages of 5 to 18. The contest is simple: Write an original essay of fewer than two pages explaining "I love my dad because..."

"Father's and father figures play an important role in the lives of our children," said El Paso Public Libraries Director Norma Martinez. "We're thrilled to once again partner with the Great Khalid Foundation to help honor fathers on their very special day."

Participants can write about their father or father figures such as grandfathers, uncles, older brothers, or others who have served as a fatherly influence. The contest is free to enter.

The essay may be written in English or Spanish. The deadline to enter an essay is 6 p.m. Friday, June 9. Contest winners will be awarded neat prize package to give to dad for Father's Day.

Complete rules, as well as entry forms, are available at all branch libraries or can be downloaded on the Public Library website www.EIPasoLibrary.org.

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