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**DLP Publishing**

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

Congratulations! You have been selected to participate in the 2016 DLP Young Author’s Search. We are looking for talented authors’ to contribute to a special publishing opportunity. Applicants will have the exclusive opportunity to be published in “Who Am I?” The “Who Am I” book will showcase narratives focusing on the theme of identity.

DLP is looking for applicants that can meet the following criteria:

* Narrative rough draft
* Narrative final copy
	+ See Narrative Writing Rubric on back
	+ Minimum 3/4 page, Maximum 1 page
	+ Must be in 12-point Times New Roman, single spaced
* “Where I’m From” Poem
	+ Final product has qualities of poetry (phrases and stanzas) (25pts.)
	+ The poem includes at least four stanzas and loosely follows the template (25pts.)
	+ The poem is generally free of spelling and grammar errors, and it shows that time and care have been taken to ensure poem is above “standard” quality (25 pts.)
	+ The student goes above and beyond to make poem represent him/her. Poem includes creative language, colors, and designs (25 pts.)

Please use the suggested timeline in order to meet all deadlines for this application.

* Mind Mapping Brainstorm
* Rough Draft of Narrative (focusing on TAP- task, audience, and purpose)
* Final Narrative Copy
* “Where I’m From” Poem

Thank you for your dedication and hard work. We look forward to reading all entries!

Sincerely,