

BHAGWAN MAHAVEER FOUNDATION

C/o S J N S Jain Matriculation Higher Sec. School

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To The Principal/Headmaster/Headmistress,

Dear Sir/Madam,

Warm greetings from Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation.

The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation was established in 1994 to identify, encourage and nurture individuals and institutions for excellence in serving the society in the field of Non-violence, Vegetarianism, Education, Health, and Community Service. The Foundation has instituted four annual awards with a cash component of Rs.10 lakhs each for the above categories.

Till date 18 annual award functions have been held and 55 awards have been presented to various awardees by eminent personalities like the President of India, Vice President of India, Governors, Chief Ministers and others.

The **Foundation** now desires to acquaint the young people with the Universal Message of Peace & Harmonious co-existence preached by Bhagwan Mahaveer about 2600 years ago and highlight the relevance of the teachings of Bhagwan Mahaveer in the contemporary world.

We are living in the age of Science and Technology. This age has given us a whole lot of comfort, but we have lost something much more precious, that is peace of mind.

India has been the land of sages, seers and saints, who propagated ways of realizing peace. The life and teachings of Bhagwan Mahaveer, the 24th Tirthankara, who lived 2600 years ago, is relevant today and his teachings continue to enlighten our paths. His life demonstrated how one can achieve peace and harmonious co-existence by conquering oneself.

Hence, The Bhagwan Mahaveer Foundation is organizing the "Mahaveer Award for Essays" in Tamil and English for the school & college students with the primary aim of introducing the young minds to the life and teachings of Bhagwan Mahaveer.

The details of the competition, along with the registration forms are enclosed. The venue for the competition will be intimated in due course.

Winners will be felicitated and cash prizes will be distributed on 19th April 2016-Bhagwan Mahaveer Jayanthi Day.

We are happy to invite your institution to participate in this essay writing competition, win attractive prizes and give opportunity to the young minds to imbibe the universal teachings of Bhagwan Mahaveer.

There is no limit on the number of participants. We eagerly await your positive response before 10th FEB 2016

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