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**Students from Red Bay Primary and Montessori By The Sea Schools  
win CUC's Essay Competition**

Eleven year-old Josh Levy of Red Bay Primary School and 12 year-old Jordan Trickett of Montessori By The Sea are the winners of 2013 CUC Essay Competitions. Seventeen essays were submitted.

The competition was launched in October last year and had as its theme, "Electricity: It is more than poles and wires."

The students were asked to imagine that our island were without electricity for one week and to describe what life would be like for the island, our businesses, schools and at our homes during that week.

CUC's President and CEO Richard Hew, said, "I am delighted with the response we received to the Essay Competition. The students wrote passionately about the subject and clearly understand through their own research what life would be like without a reliable electricity service. It is interesting that very young minds within our community already have a true appreciation for the value of electricity and what it means to the ongoing growth and development of Grand Cayman."



The top three winners in the Essay Competition from the Primary Schools are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Josh Levy – Red Bay Primary School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Calvert Ebanks – North Side Primary School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Aaliyah Powell – North Side Primary School

Those Primary School students receiving Honourable Mentions are:

- 1. Tori Ann Gonez- Red Bay Primary School
- 2. Dylan Whittaker- North Side Primary School

The winners from the High School are:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jordan Trickett- Montessori By The Sea
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Maia Thompson-Montessori By The Sea
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Kassidi Jackson- Montessori By The Sea

The High School students receiving Honourable Mentions are:

- 1. Samruddi Tagalpallewar –St. Ignatius High School.
- 2. Bryce Towell- Montessori by the Sea

The judges for the competition were:

- Ms. Erica Gordon- Teacher, UCCI
- Ms. Mellony Bryan - Former School Leader, Leading Edge High School
- Ms. Sharon Marshall- Public Relations Executive Cayman Islands Monetary Authority
- Mr. Ben Meade- News Director, Cayman 27
- Mrs. Joni Kirkconnell- Manager, Health, Safety and Environment, CUC



**Photo captions:**



CUC's President and CEO Richard Hew with Josh Levy from Red Bay Primary School (left) and Jordan Trickett from Montessori By The Sea. Josh was the winner in the Primary School category and Jordan was triumphant in the High School category. CUC hosted a prize giving ceremony for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winners at its headquarters on Wednesday, April 9, 2014.

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