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Social Studies Teachers,

Enclosed you will find flyers for “The Role of Government in my World” Essay contest. An anonymous donor has come forward to support this project. The award is purely a cash award, and does not need to be spent as a scholarship. The award will be presented by the Boulder Daily Camera.

The winner of the contest will have their work published in the Daily Camera on a date determined by them.

I encourage you to offer the invitation to participate in this essay contest to your students. Students need to be enrolled in a BVSD school or charter school, and can be in any grade 9-12. A website with further ideas for writing these essays has been posted on

<http://bvsd.org/curriculum/socialstudies/Pages/default.aspx>

This contest is directly related to Civics Essential Learning SSC9: Connects current issues to long standing debates in American politics (e.g. federalism, individual rights vs. public rights, privacy, and service) and could be used as a formative or summative assessment.

Should you have questions about the contest, please contact me at 720-561-6025 or deann.bucher@bvsd.org

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