



*Embassy of Italy  
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**VIDEO CONTEST FOR STUDENTS OF ITALIAN LANGUAGE  
ON THE OCCASION OF THE  
18<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF THE ITALIAN LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD**

On the occasion of the “18<sup>th</sup> Week of the Italian Language in the World”, the Embassy of Italy is pleased to announce a Video Contest for students of the Italian language in the United States.

The Week of the Italian Language in the World is an event promoted yearly by the cultural and diplomatic network in the third week of October, under the High Patronage of the President of Republic. Each year, the Week has a different underlying theme for a vast cultural program to advance the promotion of the Italian language. The initiative was launched in 2001 through the joint action of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and the Accademia della Crusca, a leading institution in the field of research on the Italian language, which was subsequently joined by the Swiss Confederation where Italian is one of the three official languages. This year, the theme is “L’Italiano e la rete, le reti per l’italiano” (“*Italian and the web, social networks for the Italian Language*”).

Students, individually or in groups, are asked to create a short video in Italian. The length of the video should not exceed three minutes. The topic will be one of the twelve fundamental principles of the Italian Constitution, which this year celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

- **Deadline:** Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018
- **Eligibility:** Middle and High school students of Italian language, enrolled in the 2018/2019 school year in one of the public schools in Montgomery County, Prince George County, Howard County and Anne Arundel County in Maryland, and in Fairfax County and Prince William County in Virginia and the District of Columbia.
- **Categories:**
  1. Middle school students of Italian.
  2. High school students of Italian.
- **Submission methods:** Submit the video using “WeTransfer”. Videos may be taken with a digital camera or a video camera (cell phone cameras allowed). Please send the link to your video to the following address: [Italyvideocontest@gmail.com](mailto:Italyvideocontest@gmail.com)

The winners will be selected in each category by a jury composed of the following members:

- Ms. Maria Fusco, Director of the Education Office, Embassy of Italy
- Ms. Giulia Prati, Head of the Cultural Affairs Office, Embassy of Italy
- Mr. Emanuele Amendola, Director, Italian Institute of Culture

The decisions of the judges are final and binding.

The winners will be announced on *Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 2018*. The award Ceremony will take place on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Embassy of Italy in Washington DC. The winners' videos will be posted on the website and social media profiles of the Embassy of Italy and of the Italian Institute of Culture in Washington D.C.

Schools attended by winners will receive an official plaque and each student will receive a medal of merit.

Entries must be accompanied by a completed submission form, signed by parent or legal guardian. If depicted person(s) in the videos are other than self, entrant must submit a release of all recognizable subjects depicted therein. By entering the contest, winners (and their parents and /or legal guardians) grant a royalty-free, irrevocable, non-exclusive license to the Embassy of Italy in Washington D.C. and to the Italian Institute of Culture to post the video on their respective web-sites and social media channels in connection with the Contest. Obscene, provocative, or otherwise objectionable content shall not be considered, and such determination is solely at the discretion of the jury.

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