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Dear Middle and High School Educators,

The Islamic Speakers Bureau of Atlanta is inviting all Georgia middle and high school students to enter the “Making A Difference” essay contest. In 2014, ISB launched the 100 Influential Georgia Muslims honoring Georgia influencers who happen to be Muslims for their extraordinary impact on our great state. Essay contestants are asked to select one of the 100 Influential Georgia Muslims* (influencer) (www.100GAMuslims.com) and write about that individual, his or her achievements, and how that influencer inspired the student towards reaching their own personal goals. The intent of this contest is to encourage students to think about their goals because research shows that students who have goals and have a plan to achieve them are more successful. At the Islamic Speakers Bureau of Atlanta, we want to encourage this process by rolling out the “Making A Difference” initiative.

The “Making a Difference” competition is open to all middle and high school students in Georgia. It requires the student to have a sponsoring teacher, it can be a student's current or former teacher. The role of the sponsoring teacher will be to advise and support the student, review the essay for any syntax, spelling or typographical errors. The top three winners from middle schools and the top three winners from high schools will be invited along with the sponsoring teachers to an award ceremony, which will be held in May. The deadline of the competition is March 21, 2016.

The Islamic Speaker Bureau (ISB) is an Atlanta based educational 501(c)3 organization which offers presentations, workshops and panels, it also serves as a partner on several educational programs.

We appreciate your support and help towards this essay competition.

Sincerely
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P.S. 100 Influential Georgia Muslims books are available. A donation of \$50 is recommended. If your school is interested in a book, please contact contest@isbatlanta.org.