

**Americanism Essay Contest Rules for
Schools Group IV
(Grades 10, 11 and 12)
2023-2024**

Title: Is service to the country important?

Eligibility: All pupils in grades (10, 11, and 12) known as Group IV shall be eligible to compete.

Length: Essay shall contain **300 - 500 words**. All words shall be counted including the title.

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| Awards: Unit | 1 st Prize | 2 nd Prize | 3 rd Prize |
| District | 1 st Prize | 2 nd Prize | 3 rd Prize |
| Department | 1 st Prize-\$2500.00 | 2 nd Prize-\$1500.00 | 3 rd Prize-\$1000.00 |
| Educational Grant | | | |

Deadline Date: January 18, 2024

Rules:

- A. Titles must be exactly as specified in TITLE above.
- B. All teachers must be provided the copies of the rules.
- C. Subject to be announced to students and a set time allowed by teachers for research. Essay to be handwritten in ink (IN ENGLISH ONLY), on one side of paper. Computer generated essays are also accepted. All essays must be written in the classroom under teacher supervision. Students should make copies of the essay submitted.
- D. Each teacher will be asked to have all students in the classroom participate under the established essay contest rules provided by the Unit Chairman.
- E. The student will put their name, grade level, teacher's name and the name of their school on the back of their essay.
- F. All essays will be placed by the teacher in an envelope; the teacher will seal the envelope and identify on the outside of the envelope their name, room number, grade level and the name of the school. They will turn the envelope containing essays in to the school office.
- G. The Unit Chairman will be responsible for picking up and returning the essays.
- H. Quoted material must be enclosed in quotation marks and the student must give simple bibliography stating source and reference to help the judges differentiate between original and quoted material.

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NOTE TO TEACHERS

Rules should be explained and followed carefully.
Essays will be judged exactly by the above rules.

WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FOR THE ESSAY CONTEST TITLES FROM TEACHERS
AND/OR THEIR STUDENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR – PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF
SUGGESTIONS IS NOV 1st TO DEPT CHAIRMAN – PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED FOR SELECTED TITLES