



South Windsor Patriotic Commission



2019 Student Essay Contest

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

CONTEST IS OPEN TO ANY SOUTH WINDSOR RESIDENT WHO IS A STUDENT ANYWHERE IN GRADES K-12

Please circle **ONE** school:

- Eli Terry Orchard Hill Philip R Smith
- Pleasant Valley Two Rivers Connecticut River
- Timothy Edwards Middle School
- South Windsor HS East Catholic HS
- OTHER: _____

(Please Print)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Age: _____

Grade/Class/Period: _____

(ENTRY NUMBER Judges' use only: _____)

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1. Complete this form and staple it to your essay.
2. Essays **MUST** be on 8 1/2 by 11 paper that is not torn from a spiral notebook.
3. Use multiple pages if necessary but only use one side of the paper. Do not use the back.
4. Do not put anything else on your essay other than your entry. Specifically do not put your name, grade, class, school or teacher on it. The author must not be able to be identified by the judges.
5. You may type, handwrite or print your essay. If you are not typing, use a pen, not a pencil. Your essay will be photocopied and pencil does not copy well.
6. Winners will be announced May 3rd & participate in the Memorial Day parade May 27, 2019.

All entries MUST be received by Thursday February 28, 2019

Entries can be mailed to: _____ **OR** ----->

Town of South Windsor
Patriotic Commission
1540 Sullivan Avenue
South Windsor, CT 06074

Delivered to the Town Manager's Office

1540 Sullivan Avenue
South Windsor
(during normal business hours)

Topic for Grades K – 2 POSTER - (maximum size 12" by 14") My favorite place to see the American flag and name the place.

Topic for Grades 3 – 5 ESSAY – How my family celebrates a patriotic holiday. (300 words or less)

Topic for Grades 6 – 8 ESSAY – What does freedom mean to me. (350 words or less)

Topic for Grades 9 – 12 ESSAY – What sacrifices I would make to preserve our freedom. (500 words or less)

Judging will be done for each grade level separately. Awards will be made solely at the discretion of the Patriotic Commission members. The first place prize for the winner of each grade level is a \$100.00 Barnes and Noble gift card. The second place prize is a \$50 gift card and the third place prize is a \$25 gift card.

The winners will be announced by May 3rd. All winners will be invited to ride in specially marked cars in the Memorial Day parade and be able to participate in the ceremony at Veterans' Memorial Park on Monday, May 27th. Each winner will also receive recognition from the Mayor at a Town Council meeting. The first place winners will have the opportunity to read their winning essays at the Town Council meeting.

For Further Information: please call Roger Anderson at (860) 528-4338