



Year _____ **Essay Scholarship Application Form**
Essay Title

Essay Title: _____

The essay must be original, neither previously published nor secured by copyright. The essay must be between 700 and 750 words in length.

Three type-written, double-spaced copies must be submitted via postal service or email in .doc (preferred) or .pdf format

The following information for the contestant must appear on the title page in this manner.

Scholarship Name: _____

An Essay By: _____

Home Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address of High School: _____

Contestant email: _____ Phone #: _____

The essay must be postmarked no later than midnight, May 11, 2026, and mailed or sent electronically

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Persons submitting essay thereby grant to Liberty Hill Next Generation the right to keep the essay and to exercise full publishing rights to them. Awards will be announced on or about May 30, 2026 of the essay topic. Winner will be required to furnish written proof that they were enrolled in their respective high school at the time the essays were submitted. Awards will be submitted to the winner, upon written verification from an institution of higher education that the individual has enrolled. Actual enrollment (not just acceptance) is required. Awards must be claimed within 3 months after the announcement date to be valid.

RATING CRITERIA FOR ESSAYS

1. Development of Topic/Thesis: (30 possible pts.) Topic well developed (covers and develops major points, supplying enough information for understanding)
2. Progression: (20 possible pts.) Composition progresses from beginning to end in a logical flow of information
3. Readability: (25 possible pts.) Concise prose that sticks to the point and does not ramble (holds reader’s attention)
4. Grammar: (15 possible pts.) Agreement of subject and verb; proper tense; correct sentence construction; paragraphing, including transitional phrases linking same
5. Spelling: (5 possible pts.)
6. Punctuation: (5 possible pts.)