

# You can win \$6,000 by writing about America



The Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) each year offers high school students an opportunity to win an award certificate and medal at the local level, and significant cash prizes at the state and national levels. The winner of the local contest will be entered in the State SAR Essay competition, and that winner will compete in the National contest.

## **Essay awards at the Various Levels:**

1. First place winner at the local level will be awarded a medal and certificate. Second and third place winners receive a certificate.
2. Winners at the state level in March 2018 will receive \$1,000. Expenses involving lodging, meals, and transportation to, at, and from the July 2018 National SAR Contest in Houston TX will be borne by the Tennessee Society SAR.
3. All national contestants will be awarded \$200. The 1st place winner at the National level will receive a \$5,000 scholarship award. The 2<sup>nd</sup> place will win a \$3,000 scholarship, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner will receive a \$2,000 scholarship. All 3 winners will receive an Olympic-size medal. All other finalists will be awarded \$400.

## **Students who enter the contest must meet the following criteria:**

1. Be a high school freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior in a public, parochial, private, or home school during the contest year.
2. *Winning essay participants, on all levels, must supply a social security number or alien identification/green card number in order to receive their award.*
3. Enter the local contest through the Andrew Jackson SAR chapter.
4. Enter only once during a single contest year.

5. Shall not have won 1<sup>st</sup> place the previous year.
6. Submit an essay which meets criteria shown at:

<https://sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest-rules>

**Judging:**

Essays which meet the criteria listed above will be accepted and judged equally on the following criteria:

1. Composition
2. Grammar
3. Significance
4. History

**Deadlines:**

1. Submit essays to

Kenneth Fieth, Archivist  
Metro Nashville Archives  
Nashville Public Library  
615 Church Street  
Nashville, TN 37219

by 10Nov2017. Finalists might be invited to present essays at The Hermitage Theater Thursday 07Dec2017 at 6:30 p.m. Absolute deadline is 31Dec2017.

2. Andrew Jackson Chapter will submit our selected winner to the SAR Tennessee society by January 31. The Tennessee Society competition among chapter winners will be held during the Tennessee Society SAR's Annual meeting.
2. State societies must submit their winner to the National society by June 7, 2018 (4 weeks before National Convention)

**For further information about the SAR Oration contest:**

Use the AJSAR.org "contact us" tab.