2025 Little River Patriots Day Festival

Scholarship Essay Contest Application



Eligibility:

- Open to high school juniors and seniors (grades 11-12)
- Must be a U.S. citizen or legal resident

Essay Topic:

"What does American patriotism mean to you, and how can it unite us today?"

Essay Requirements:

- Minimum 1000 words
- Typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman font
- Must be original work by the applicant
- Include title and student's name on a cover page only
- Submit as PDF or Word format

Submission Deadline:

June 1, 2025 at 11:59 PM (EST)

Submit to: patriotsdayessay@littleriverfest.org

Awards:

- 1st Place: \$1,000 College Scholarship
- 2nd and 3rd Place: Certificates of Recognition

- Winners notified August 1, 2025
- Publicly announced on September 13, 2025 at the Festival



Judging Criteria:

- Clarity and originality
- Relevance to theme
- Grammar, spelling, and structure
- Understanding of patriotism and unity

Applicant Information:

Full Name:

Date of Birth:

Grade (as of Spring 2025):

High School Name:

City/State:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Parent/Guardian Consent (if under 18):

I give permission for my child to enter the 2025 Patriots Day Scholarship Essay Contest and understand their work may be shared or published by the Festival Committee.

Name:

Signature:

Date: