

The Thomas Davis Lay Organization of Baber A.M.E. Church
Black History Essay Contest

“Why should Richard Allen be considered a founding father of America?”

CONTEST QUALIFICATIONS	CONTEST RULES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contest is open to all students in Grades 9-12 who attend public, private, parochial, or home schools in the Greater Rochester area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contestants must write an original essay. ▪ Essays must be between 700-1000 words. ▪ Essays must be typed and double-spaced. ▪ All quotations and ideas must be cited. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. ▪ Essays must be submitted to RichardAllen@BaberRochester.org no later than Monday, March 4, 2024. ▪
JUDGING	OTHER INFORMATION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A panel of judges will anonymously score each essay based on a rubric. ▪ Judges won't discuss or compare essays until all the essays have been judged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We reserve the right to edit, publish, or duplicate all essays received. ▪ There is no fee to enter this contest. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners. ▪ The first, second, and third-place winners will be asked to present their essays at the Sunday worship service on Sunday, March 17, 2024.