



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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DAR GOOD CITIZENS COMMITTEE — Kimberly Daniels, National Chair

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DAR GOOD CITIZENS COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS

Please Note: Original copies of the school winner's entry are to be submitted to the chapter. To provide good quality copies to the judges, both parts (Parts I and II) must be submitted on white paper approximately 8-1/2" x 11" in size. Use only one side of the paper with numbered pages. Do not submit a personal photograph. This scholarship is judged and awarded without regard to gender, race, color, religion, national origin or disability. A resume may be included; however, the following items should still be listed separately in outline format.

PART I: PERSONAL & PART II: DAR GOOD CITIZENS QUALITIES (70 points possible)

1. **Complete the following in outline format.** (These may be completed at home and typed. A resume may be included; however, the following items should still be listed separately in outline format.)
 - a. List your high school activities, including offices held; awards received; athletic, music, journalism, drama, science and other participation; and areas of special interest.
 - b. Describe briefly how your efforts to serve your community (home, school, place of worship, etc.) have been effective or have made a difference.
 - c. Express your future plans, education, career goals, and aspirations in life.
 - d. List extracurricular activities, scouting, 4-H, explorers, after-school or summer jobs, hobbies, etc.
 - e. Describe briefly why you feel the four qualities of a DAR Good Citizens: dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism are important and how you have tried to exhibit those qualities in your life.
2. **Include two letters of recommendation** from close adult associates (other than family) such as a minister, an employer, a scout or 4-H leader, a teacher, a coach, a music instructor, a guidance counselor, etc. Have the two letters of recommendation returned to you to be submitted with your completed scholarship application. The letters of recommendation should include:
 - a. Identification of the writer along with a home or business address.
 - b. Relationship with the student and length of time he or she has known the student.
 - c. The qualities which make the student an appropriate candidate for consideration.

PART III: ESSAY (30 points possible)

The title/subject of the essay will be announced at the actual time of writing. Clarity of expression, originality, and historical accuracy will be considered in the judging. When completed, this essay should be attached to the materials requested in Part I. This must be submitted by the deadline to the DAR chapter chair. No other changes may be made to the essay after the allotted two-hour time limit. Guidelines for writing the essay are:

1. The essay must be written in the presence of a faculty or DAR member within a two-hour time limit.
2. Please place the title of the essay and the focus question at the top of the first page.
3. The student's name and page number must be placed in the upper right-hand corner of their essay.
4. The essay is to be no longer than 550 words. The word count must be located at the end of the essay. The count does not include the title or name.
5. The essay text may be handwritten in ink or computer-generated on one side of white paper, approximately 8-1/2" x 11" inches.
6. Reference materials other than a dictionary must not be used.
7. The essay may not be edited or corrected by anyone other than the student, only within the allotted time limit.

If the student experiences disability whatever accommodations are normally afforded the disabled student should be extended for the essay contest. Any questions about IEP accommodations should be directed to the national chair.

The chapter chair should furnish a sealed envelope, containing the title of the essay and essay instructions. If the school is not received this envelope, please contact the chapter chair contact below.

Submit ALL DAR Good Citizens award/scholarship contest entry papers ONLY to the DAR Good Citizens Committee Chair listed below. Please retain copies of all pages of the entry before submitting it to the local DAR chapter contact person.

DAR CONTACT

Sponsoring chapter	El Toyon	Deadline	November 1, 2026
Contact person	Cynthia Johannes	Phone	(209) 331-6898
Address	224 River Oaks Drive; Lodi, CA 95240	Email	cynjoh50@gmail.com



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STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET

**This cover sheet must be forwarded to the local sponsoring DAR chapter
for your school's DAR Good Citizen winner.**

Please TYPE or PRINT all information and be sure to complete all blanks.

RETURN FORM AND COMPLETED MATERIALS TO:

Sponsoring DAR chapter/chapter code El Toyon Deadline November 1, 2
Contact person Cynthia Johannes Phone (209) 331-6898
Address 224 River Oaks Drive; Lodi, CA 95240
E-mail cynjoh50@gmail.com

STUDENT INFORMATION:

First / Middle / Last Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Parents or guardians (First / Middle / Last Name) _____

Parent e-mail _____ Parent phone _____

Signature of student _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

School Name _____

Faculty e-mail _____

Address _____

School or faculty contact _____ Phone _____

Are you competing in the scholarship contest? ☐ YES ☐ NO

THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

I, _____, have known _____, in
(Print your name) (Print student's name)

Grade _____ for _____ in my capacity as _____
(Length of time) (Relationship to student)

and that to my personal knowledge the student has demonstrated the qualities of a Good Citizen as set forth in your criteria and, in my opinion, is most deserving of recognition by your organization. If our DAR Good Citizen competed in the scholarship portion of the contest, I have reviewed the information the student is submitting to you and have found it to be accurate and entirely consistent with our records.

Signature _____

Title _____

E-mail Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____



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PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE FORM

I, *(please print full name neatly)* _____,
hereby grant permission to the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR),
including any of its chapters or state societies, to publish photos/images/videos including the name of
my child in press releases and/or other materials either in print or electronic format for purposes deemed
appropriate by the NSDAR.

I am signing this release form with the knowledge that any photos/images/videos posted
electronically and in press releases can be downloaded and reprinted by news organizations, individuals
and others including print, electronic, and broadcast media, and I, therefore, release the NSDAR from
any liability arising from use of my child's photos/images/videos in web postings.

I further understand that if I wish to rescind this agreement, I may do so at any time by sending a
letter to NSDAR. I further understand that already published photos/images/videos cannot be recalled.
The requested rescission will take effect upon receipt of the notification.

Name of minor child: _____
(PRINT NAME)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NSDAR CONTACT INFORMATION

(This completed form should be kept on file by the collecting chapter or state society.)

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