



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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Chapter Chairs — The school should receive this ENTIRE sheet enclosed in a sealed envelope that is labeled:

**“DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest — Essay topic enclosed.
DO NOT OPEN UNTIL STUDENT IS READY TO WRITE ESSAY.”**

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS

(Administrator: Please review the following essay instructions with the student before the essay is written.)

PART II: ESSAY

Clarity of expression, originality and historical accuracy will be considered in the judging. When completed, this essay should be attached along with the materials requested in Part I and 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 a page number must be placed in the upper right-hand corner of each page of the essay.
4. The essay is to be no longer than 550 words (title excluded). The word count must be located at the end of the essay.
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, and then only within the allotted time limit.

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

ESSAY TITLE: Our American Heritage and Our Responsibility for Preserving It

FOCUS QUESTION:

**“You and your peers are our nation's leaders of tomorrow.
How would you energize America's youth to fully engage as effective citizens? Why is that important?”**

Send a complete set of original DAR Good Citizens award/scholarship contest entry papers **ONLY** to the DAR chapter Good Citizens Committee Chair. Please make copies of all pages of the entry for your records before it is directed to the local DAR chapter contact person.

DAR CONTACT

Sponsoring chapter _____ Deadline _____

Contact person _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____