

American Education Week Observance

Theme: (Received from NEA via Internet)

EVELYN D. WILKEY NATIONAL YOUTH ESSAY CONTEST Deadline: November 30, ____

The National Essay Contest is open to all middle and high school students. Each chapter may sponsor a student in each of the categories, being sure to judge each within his/her correct age/school category. Each student will prepare her/his subject based on the National American Education Week theme.

After the local chapter's judging, send winner from each age grouping to your **Regional Representative**.

The following items should be included with the winner's essay:

Essay Application
Three typed copies of 500 word essay
Declaration of Originality

To be eligible for judging, the essay must be postmarked no later than November 30th and mailed to your Regional Representative. Essay should be double spaced on an 8 1/2 x 11 white copy paper and the Declaration of Originality properly signed.

JUDGING

The regional representative will select three competent and impartial judges (non sorors) to judge the essays received, using the **Essay Score Sheet**. She will compute the scores and forward the winning regional essay(s), the judges' score sheets, and names of **all** participants in both middle and high school categories to the **National President Elect** for national judging by **December 30th**. The Regional Representative will also send names of regional winner(s) to the National Youth Activities Chairman.

National judging will be in the same manner: three impartial judges, who are not sorors, using the same score sheets.

The winners will receive the following:

High School

1st Place: \$500.00
2nd Place: \$250.00
3rd Place: \$100.00

Middle School

1st Place: \$500.00
2nd Place: \$250.00
3rd Place: \$100.00

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EVELYN D. WILKEY ESSAY CONTEST SCORE SHEET**

I. CONTENT OF THE MANUSCRIPT

	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
Importance and Appropriateness	50	_____
Suitability of Material Used	50	_____
Evidence of purpose	50	_____
Total	150	_____

II. COMPOSITION OF THE MANUSCRIPT

Organization	20	_____
Unity of Thought and Logical Development	20	_____
Language Used and Sentence Structure	20	_____
Accomplishment of Purpose	20	_____
Conclusion	20	_____
Total	100	_____

Maximum Points 250

Student's Name _____

Sponsoring Chapter _____

Judge's Name _____

Judge's Occupation _____

Judge's Signature _____ Date _____

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APPLICATION

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____
City State Zip Code

TELEPHONE () _____ EMAIL _____

SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____

SPONSORING CHAPTER _____ REGION _____

CHAPTER PRESIDENT _____

CHAPTER'S ESSAY COORDINATOR _____

COORDINATOR'S ADDRESS _____
City State Zip Code

DECLARATION OF ORIGINALITY

I hereby declare that the writing of the attached essay reflects my own work, except where quoted materials are identified. I give Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Incorporated permission to publish my essay in their National Journal or to use it in any other promotional manner desired.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____
Contestant

SIGNATURE _____
Parent

SIGNATURE _____
Chapter's Essay Coordinator