

GREEN RIDGE MEMORIAL UNIT # 926 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA ASTON, PENNSYLVANIA

AMERICANISM ESSAY PROGRAM 2018

It is that time of year again for the American Legion Auxiliary's Americanism Contest

The topic this year.        The Essay Title.

"WHAT CAN I PERSONALLY DO TO PROMOTE AMERICANISM IN MY SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY?"

Could you ask the teachers/ students from grades 3 to 12 if they are interested in entering this year's contest? This does not need to be part of their class work, it can be done at home if preferred.

The Essays need to be ready for pick up at the school on Tuesday January 16, 2018. The 2018

COVER SHEET ENCLOSED MUST BE USED, PER ALA NATIONAL GUIDELINES.

I will call the schools a few days ahead to remind all.

The winning students from each grade/class will be invited to attend our Americanism Program/Banquet at our Post home. Their parents and teachers will also be invited to attend the program.

The "Winners" will be invited to read their "Essays" to the parents and guests before a Buffet Dinner is served to all students and their guests.

If you have any questions or I can assist you, please contact me at 484-868-8762, you may leave a text/message if need be and I will return your call.

Thank you for your continued support in this Americanism program. We look forward to again being enlightened by our youth, tomorrow's leaders.

Sincerely,

Unit 926 Americanism Chairman

Judy Sexton

Unit 926 President

Maryann Carpinelli



**AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST  
2018 Cover Sheet**

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12, including students with special needs. Grade levels are divided into six classes. One award in each of the six classes will be presented in each division. Winners will receive \$50 and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund. National winners will be posted at [www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org) after convention.

**Essay Title:** *"What can I personally do to promote Americanism in my school or community?"*

**Essay Classes:**

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement
I	3 and 4	150-250
II	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500
VI	Students with special needs	Word count should correspond with student's grade level.

**Essay Checklist:**

- ☐ Class competing in \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Sponsoring ALA unit 926
- ☐ Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for class
- ☐ Completed essay coversheet as first page of essay
- ☐ Word count of essay \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Due date for student to return to ALA unit Jan. 16, 2018

**To Be Completed by the Student/Parent:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name and Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Auxiliary Use Only (Must be completed for entry to be considered.):**

Sponsoring Unit Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit winner due to Department on: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

*Department winner due to National Americanism Division Chairman by April 15, 2018*