

27th High School Essay Contest

Deadline: March 1, 2012

Purpose:

- ❖ To encourage, to recognize, and to reward Tennessee high school students who demonstrate outstanding writing skills.

Eligibility:

- ❖ All Tennessee high school students(grades 9-12) are eligible. Each high school is limited to four (4) entries.

Topic:

- ❖ Some people believe that success in life comes from taking risks or chances. Others believe that success results from taking risks or chances. Others believe that success results from careful planning. In your opinion, what does success come from? Use specific reasons and examples to support your answer.

Format:

- ❖ Students may incorporate this prompt in any way they wish, but it must be a basis for the essay.
- ❖ The essay must be 350-500 words in length. It must be typed or word-processed, double spaced, on a white 8.5 X 11 – inch paper.
- ❖ A cover sheet, stapled to the essay, must contain the following information:
 - the student's name, address, phone number, and e-mail address;
 - the student's school name and address;
 - the name of the student's teacher;
 - the name of the Delta Kappa Gamma Chapter represented;
 - the name of the President of the Delta Kappa Gamma Chapter;
 - the e-mail address of the President of the Delta Kappa Gamma chapter;
 - the name and address of the local newspaper.

Prizes:

- ❖ First Prize \$300
- ❖ Second Prize \$200
- ❖ Third Prize \$100
- ❖ Honorable Mention Certificate

Judging:

- ❖ Content and original development – 50%
- ❖ Writing skills – 50%

- ❖ The decisions of the judges are final.

Deadline:

- ❖ All entries must be post marked no later than March 1, 2012.
- ❖ Mail all entries together from one school to :
Sandra Smith
1830 Gamaliel Rd.
Red Boiling Springs, TN 37150

Confirmation:

- ❖ Students or schools wishing confirmation of the essays having been received should enclose a stamped/addressed card or envelope.