AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST
2021 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 after convention.

Essay Title: “How can we address the health and well-being of our veterans, military, and their families”

Essay Classes:

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| VI    | Students with special needs | Word count should correspond with student’s grade level.

Essay Checklist:
- Class competing in ______
- Sponsoring ALA unit ______
- 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 ______

To Be Completed by the Student/Parent:

Student Name: ____________________________
Address (Street, City, State, Zip): ____________________________
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, 2021