AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST
2022 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 support families who provide care to their Veterans?”

### Essay Classes:

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<td>VI</td>
<td>Students with special needs</td>
<td>Word count should correspond with student’s grade level.</td>
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### 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, 2022*