



Drug Awareness Essay Contest 2011-2012

"I Choose Not To Use"

The purpose of the Elks' Drug Awareness Essay Contest is to involve children, schools, and parents in the Drug Awareness Program, to create opportunities for states to gain national recognition, and to generate publicity for local Lodges, State Associations, and the Elks National Drug Awareness Program.

Rules and Guidelines

- The Contest is open to students in grades 6-8.
- The Essay should be based on the theme, "I Choose Not To Use".
- The Essay should be original, neat, and grammatically correct.
- The Essay should be written on 8.5" by 11" paper.
- The Essay should contain an anti-drug message.
- The Essay may be hand-written or typed.
- The Essay should not exceed 200 words.
- Students should be informed that the essay becomes the property of the BPOE and will not be returned.

The following information will also be needed to complete the Contest Entry Form:

- Name, age, & grade of student
- Home address of student
- Name and location of student's school
- Name & number of sponsoring Elks Lodge

Each Lodge may submit one winner from each grade to submit to the State competition. Each entry must be submitted in a separate folder containing the essay, a completed Hold harmless agreement form, and a completed entry form.

Entries to the State level competition must be in the hands of the State Chairperson by **February 15, 2012.**

The State winner will receive a \$100 savings bond and will be submitted for entry into the National Essay Contest. The National winner will receive a \$500 savings bond.

Please send entries, in the format noted above, to:

Any questions?
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