

Roselle Public Schools Annual Essay Writing Contest



National Women's History Month 2021

In celebration of Women's History Month, the Roselle Public School District is proud to announce its Annual Essay Writing Contest. This year's theme is, "*Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced.*" **This essay competition is open to all students in Grades 3-12.** The purpose of the essay contest is to honor women past and present who fought for women's voting rights, rights to education, leadership roles, gender equalities, etc.

Students will select and write about a woman who has shown persistence and strength in fighting for the things she believed in through her leadership, dedication, and compassion for others.

Essays should include:

- qualities that reflect her character, courage, and commitment
- her choices and experiences that inspire others
- her positive contribution to her community, country, and, or the world
- an explanation why she was chosen or selected

The essay is going to be judged according to its content and originality. In addition, the essay should include supporting details and meaningful explanations.

Contest Guidelines: Grades 3-4 will write an essay using 200 words or more; Grades 5-8 with 300 words or more; Grades 9-12 with 400 words or more.

All winning entries should be typed using 12-point font, Times Roman, and double spaced. A copy of the essay and a cover page with the student's name, school, grade and teacher's name should be submitted to their Language Arts/English Teacher by March 22, 2021.

Awards: (3 winners for each category) will be selected. 1st Place Winners will receive trophies, 2nd Place Winners will receive Silver Medals, and 3rd Place Winners will receive Bronze Medals. Winners with their parents/ or guardians will be honored during the Board Meeting in May.

Each school will select and submit the top 5 essays from each grade level via email to Ms. Miriam Malabanan, Supervisor of Language Arts via email: mmalabanan@roselleschoolsorg. For Questions, contact (908) 591-0427 or (908)298-2040 Ext. 2080.