

## 4th Annual Drinking Water Week Essay Contest



Dear Educator,

The City of League City is pleased to announce it's our 4th annual **Drinking Water Week Essay Contest** for students in grades 9-12. Water is essential to life and is one of our most precious resources. The City of League City has set goals for reducing water consumption and has embarked on a program to promote water conservation awareness throughout our community. This is an excellent way to incorporate real world science issues into language art classes and easily integrate into existing science lessons.

The essay contest deadline is Monday, May 1, 2017 at 6:00 PM. Please deliver entries to the City of League City at 300 W. Walker-Receptionist Area, mail them to: 2017 Water Essay Contest, City of League City, 300 W. Walker St., League City, TX 77573, or email to wateressay@leaguecity.com for final judging. Prizes will be awarded for the first three places in each category and winners will be awarded prizes at a future televised City Council Meeting. First, second and third place winners will be selected and will receive Gift cards: \$200 for first place, \$150 for second place, and \$100 for third place.

Essay contest winners will be notified by phone or email. Winners will be awarded their prizes at a future televised League City Council Meeting at the League City Council Chambers located at 200 W. Walker St., League City, TX 77573. Please distribute the enclosed entry form, contest guidelines, and judging rubric to your staff and students. You may reach me at 281-554-1041 or Ruben.leos@leaguecity.com.

Sincerely,

Ruben Leos Supervisor Water Production Department

#### 2017

### **Water Essay Contest**

Sponsored by: The City of League City, Utilities Division

Entry Deadline: Monday, May 1, 2017 6:00 PM

CCISD Students Grades 9-12 are invited to participate

First Place \$200 Best Buy Gift Card Second Place \$150 Best Buy Gift Card

Third Place \$100 Best Buy Gift Card

#### **Essay Topic**

Students should write a 300-500-word essay that addresses the following question:

Why is water important to the survival of our communities and what can be done to ensure water availability to our communities in the future?

As you write your essay, consider how water impacts your family, our region, and the environment.

#### **Guidelines**

- Essays must be legible and either typed or in pen on white paper.
- Essays under 300 or over 500 words will be disqualified.
- Each essay must be submitted with an entry form.
- All essays must be received no later than Monday, May 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Email to: wateressay@leaguecity.com

Or

Mail to:

2017 Water Essay Contest City of League City 300 W. Walker St. League City, TX 77573

#### **Prizes**

First, Second, and Third place winners will be selected and will receive: 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$200 Best Buy Gift Card; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$150 Best Buy Gift Card; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$100 Best Buy Gift Card

#### **Judging**

Entries will be judged on their creativity, clarity, and content. Essays without complete name and contact information will be disqualified.

#### **Award Presentation**

Contest winners will be awarded prizes at a televised League City Council Meeting held at a future date. Winners will be notified of the date and time.

#### For More Information

Go to <u>www.leaguecity.com/waterwise</u> for resources and judging rubric.

For more information concerning the essay contest, please contact Ruben Leos at 281-554-1041 or Ruben.leos@leaguecity.com.

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# Entry Form Deadline: Monday, May 1, 2017

Please complete the form below and submit with your essay

Student's Name:
Title of Essay:
Essay Word Count:
School's Name:
Street Address:
City & Zip:
School's Telephone:
Teacher's Name:
Principal's Name:
Grade Level:

Please return entry to: 2017 Water Essay Contest City of League City 300 W. Walker St. League City, TX 77573 or email to: wateressay@leaguecity.com

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## **Water Essay Contest Judging Rubric**

Points	Content	Clarity	Creativity
1	Demonstrates limited knowledge or understanding of the topic.	Sentence structure, word choice, make reading and understanding difficult	No original or creative elements
2	Demonstrates very general knowledge of the topic.	Sentence structure and/or word choice sometimes interfere with clarity.	Demonstrates some original and creative elements
3	Demonstrates good knowledge of the topic	Sentences are well structured and words are chosen to communicate ideas clearly.	Demonstrates many original and creative elements.
4	Demonstrates strong knowledge of the topic.	Writing flows smoothly from one idea to another.	Demonstrates outstanding original and creative elements that surprised and delighted the reader.
Score			

Total \_\_\_\_\_\_\_



