

2007 Law Day Essay Contest

Justice Parker Lee McDonald Law Library
and the Highlands County Bar Association



WHO MAY ENTER: Any individual student enrolled in a public, private, or home school in Grade levels K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12, in Highlands County. First, second and third place winners will receive gold, silver, or bronze Olympic Style Medals, and be recognized at Law Day's televised award ceremony on Monday, April 30, 2007, at the Highlands County Government Center.

DEADLINE DATE: Completed essays must be delivered to the Law Library by **TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007, at 5:00 P.M.**

Entries may be turned in any time during the year, but will not be judged until after the delivery deadline.

ESSAY SPECIFICATIONS:

- **This year's theme is: "Liberty Under Law: Preparing Youth, Assuring Democracy."** Parents and teachers may find suggested grade level topics posted at the Law Day site after January 1st.
- Essays must be typed and double-spaced on one side of 8 ½ x 11" paper. (Elementary entries may be hand written.)
- All entries must be original work. If you are quoting someone, please give proper credit.
- **A completed registration form must accompany each essay. Do not put your name or any other personal information on any page of your essay.**
- All essays may be published and will remain the property of the Justice Parker Lee McDonald Law Library.

JUDGING: The age of the participant will be considered. Essays will be judged on:

- Content
- Adherence to the theme
- Personal reflection
- Originality

The Law Day Committee welcomes all entries that relate to the contest theme. However, the Committee reserves, within its discretion, the right to disqualify any entry that is deemed to be offensive or not related to the theme of the contest.

Note: Student or teachers may find information on Law Day at the American Bar Association site: www.lawday.org

(Photos from previous programs can be seen at:
www.imageevent.com/highlands)

For additional information contact:
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Student Entry Form 2007 Law Day Essay Contest



Student Name:

Age: _____ Grade: _____

Parent or Guardian's Name:

Street Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home or Contact Telephone:

School:

Teacher's Name:

Teacher /Group Leader verification: I have reviewed the contest entry and, to the best of my knowledge, I verify that it reflects the above-named student or group's original work.

**Completed essays must be received by
March 27, 2007**

Signature _____ Date

This entry form must be attached to your contest entry. Mail or deliver to:

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430 South Commerce Avenue, Sebring, FL 33871

**Please direct any questions to:
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