

2010 SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY COMPETITION EXCHANGE CLUB OF SAN RAMON VALLEY

THEME: The Balance of Power:
*Discuss the dynamic tension between the Executive, Legislative and
Judicial Branches of Government*

ELIGIBILITY: Students in grades 9 -12

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

First Place \$1,500 - Second Place \$1,000 - Third Place \$500

NOTE: Scholarship funds will be deposited in an account in your name solely for tuition and fees payable to the college that you attend.

ESSAY RULES

1. **TOPIC** The object of the essay is for the contestants to demonstrate their understanding of how our government is affected by the balance of power.

REQUIRED: Students need to attend at least 3 sessions of the Scholarship Essay Speakers Series and reference information given by at least two of the speakers to your perspectives of how voting is important to the democratic system.

Use the documents in the Freedom Shrine to serve as references as you develop your essay. These documents state our country's founding principles, demonstrate an application of our principles, and relate how citizens in past generations have upheld or paid a price for freedom.

2. **DUE DATE:** Thursday April 22, 2010 3:30 p.m. Late entries will not be judged.

ELECTRONIC version is required. Mail to lindsay.roxanne@yahoo.com – call 925.837.6253 when sending.

3. **WORD COUNT** 500-750 words in the body of the essay (excluding any footnotes).

4. **FORMATTING** Font size 12, single-spaced; blank line separator between paragraphs
Quotations: Use quotation marks and italics font.

5. **ESSAY SUBMISSION FORM** Complete the required information, and sign your name.

If you have any questions, please contact June Hannon 925.943.1188 or Roxanne Lindsay 925.352.7704.

**ESSAY SUBMISSION FORM
FOR 2010
EXCHANGE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

DATE _____

NAME _____

SCHOOL _____

GRADE LEVEL _____ CLASS OF _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ (HOME)

_____ (CELL)

EMAIL _____

NUMBER OF WORDS ESSAY _____

NUMBER OF WORDS FOOT NOTES (if any) _____

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DOCUMENTS CITED _____

I affirm that this essay represents my own, original work and agree that this submission, if it is selected as a finalist, becomes the property of the All Wars Memorial Foundation and may be published by the Foundation, for example, in the local newspaper.

SIGNATURE _____