



**AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST  
2015 Cover Sheet**

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12. Grade levels are divided into five classes. One award in each of the five classes will be presented in each division. Winners will receive \$50, and a \$50 honorarium in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund. National winners will be posted at [www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org) at the start of September.

**Essay Title:** *What Does Freedom Mean to My Family?*

**Essay Classes:**

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement
I	3 and 4	150-250
II	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500

**Essay Checklist:**

- Class competing in \_\_\_\_\_
- Sponsoring ALA Unit \_\_\_\_\_
- Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for class
- Completed essay coversheet as first page of essay
- Word count of essay \_\_\_\_\_
- Due date for student to return to Unit \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Completes this Information:**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Student E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name and Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Auxiliary Use Only:**

Sponsoring Unit Name/Number: Unit 181 Lake Stevens

Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit winner due to Department on: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Americanism Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_