

## ENTRY FORM

# 2020 FIRST AMENDMENT FREEDOMS ART & ESSAY CONTEST

For Grades  
6-12

### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

*Using a personal example or experience, describe or portray how one of the five freedoms in the First Amendment personally affects your daily life.*

**FIRST PLACE: \$5000 SCHOLARSHIP**

Learn more at [midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms](http://midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms)

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Student's First and Last Name

Student's Phone Number (including area code)

Student's Email Address

Current Grade (circle one): 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Current School Name

Current School Address

City, State, Zip

Teacher's First and Last Name

School Phone Number (including area code)

Teacher's Email Address (if available)

School Name in Fall 2020 (if different)

All entries must be  
postmarked or  
submitted digitally by

**September 30, 2020**

Send entries to:  
ADL First Amendment Contest  
c/o ADL Midwest  
120 S. LaSalle, Suite 1550  
Chicago, IL 60603

**The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) invites students grades 6 – 12 to participate in the 2020 First Amendment Freedoms Art & Essay Contest! First Place winners in each grade category will receive a \$5,000 scholarship. Second Place winners will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Plus, the teacher with the most entries will receive \$1,000!**

## What You Need to Do

Submit a two-page essay or create a work of art that best addresses the following prompt:

***Using a personal example or experience, describe or portray how one of the five freedoms in the First Amendment personally affects your daily life.***

## Hit Send!

Entries can be sent via snail mail to ADL Midwest or submitted online at [midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms](http://midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms). Be sure your entry is postmarked by September 30, 2020 or entered via the submission form by 11:59 PM CST on September 30th, 2020. Check out the full guidelines before you get started for your best chance at winning!



**FATIN**  
A 2019 WINNER

## Essay Category Guidelines

- Entrants must submit an original and unpublished essay. The essay must be solely the work of the entrant.
- Other forms of creative written expression, including poems and short stories that are within the guidelines, will also be accepted.
- The essay must be typed in 12-point font and double-spaced on 8.5" x 11" paper.
- The essay must be written in the English language.
- The essay must not exceed 2 pages.
- The entrant's name, school, or city should not appear anywhere on the essay pages

## Art Category Guidelines

- Entrants must submit an original, unpublished work of art.
- Illustration and photograph submissions should not exceed 18" x 24".
- Entrants must submit along with their artwork a one-paragraph (250 words) explanation of what their artwork represents.
- The entrant's name, school, or city should NOT appear anywhere in the paragraph.
- Art submissions may be in one or more of the following media: painting (choice of watercolor, acrylic, ink, oil, and other), drawing, collage, print (including silk-screens, lithographs, etc), and photography.
- Include an explanation of the mediums utilized in the piece (e.g. charcoal, watercolor, film, etc).
- It is recommended that illustrations and photographs be mounted on poster board.

## Submissions Guidelines

- The entrant's name, school, or city should not appear anywhere on the artwork or within the artwork description or essay.
- The entry form must include the following information:
  - student's name, phone number and email address; and teacher's name;
  - the name and address of entrant's current school and grade;
  - the name of the school and grade level entrant will be entering in the fall of 2020.
- Teachers may submit entries for students; however, to qualify, each student essay or artwork must include a completed entry form attached to the front
- If entering by mail, entrants must complete an entry form and attach it to the front of their essay or artwork.

**For judging guidelines, rubrics, and more info, visit [midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms](http://midwest.adl.org/fivefreedoms)**

## Awards

- Winners will be notified on or before November 1, 2020. Winners, along with their teacher and parents/guardians will be invited to attend ADL's 2020 Freedom Award Dinner and present their work.
- Winners and their parents or legal guardians must sign the Permission and Release Form in order to receive their prizes. The Permission and Release form states that you grant permission for ADL to:
  - publish and edit the essay;
  - use the essay or artwork for advertising and promotional purposes without further compensation; and
  - photograph, videotape, or record an interview with the student about the contest and their essay or artwork.

## Additional Information

- Only one entry per student per year.
- Employees of ADL, its board of directors and their immediate family members are not eligible for this contest.
- All entries must be postmarked or submitted digitally by September 30, 2020
- The Anti-Defamation League is not responsible for lost, damaged, or mishandled entries.
- Essays and artwork will not be returned. Winning entries will become the sole property of the Anti-Defamation League.
- Students may only win once per lifetime.

## Questions

Questions about the contest or guidelines: Call 312.533.3939 or email [midwest@adl.org](mailto:midwest@adl.org).

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