

The Rotary Club Four-Way Test Essay Contest

ESSAY SUBJECT:

Students will consider how “The Rotary Four-Way Test” can be used in everyday decision-making and relate it in an essay where they applied these principles in daily life.

WHO CAN ENTER:

All Simi Valley elementary, middle and high school students are eligible.

GUIDELINES:

- The essay may be based upon any subject of interest to the student. Topics from past essays included special friendships, family interactions, playground experiences, sportsmanship, historical figures, current events and personal role models.
- **The essay must address all four of the Four-Way Test Principles.**
- Student creativity, organization, language and grammar usage will be considered as part of the judging criteria.
- Entries must include a cover page with the student’s name, school email address, grade, school name, teacher, and sponsoring club (Rotary Club of Simi Sunrise).
- Essays must be typed, 12 point font.
- Please email as an **ATTACHMENT** or **Google share** to carolyndboucher@gmail.com.

The Rotary Four-Way Test Principles

Of the things we think, say or do,

1. *Is it the truth?*
2. *Is it fair to all concerned?*
3. *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
4. *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

WORD COUNT:

- 150 Word minimum for Grades 1-5
- 200 Word minimum for Grades 6-8
- 250 Word minimum for Grades 9-12

AWARDS:

The first 10 entries from each level will receive a Chick-fil-A gift card. Top three essays in each category are forwarded to the Rotary district level. From there, the first, second and third place winners will be selected from each school level (primary grades 1-3, elementary grades 4-5, middle school grades 6-8 and high school).

First Place Winners	\$300
Second Place Winners	\$200
Third Place Winners	\$100

DUE DATE:

Entries **MUST** be received by **Sunday, February 26, 2023**

Email John Baxter if you have questions: johnbaxter878@gmail.com

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