



Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest 2023-2024 Council Guidelines

Eligibility:

The State Council Contest is open to all Catholic students in grades eight through twelve in public, private, and parochial schools.

Timetable:

June 2023 - January 1, 2024: Councils order Knights of Columbus essay contest kits from Supreme Council. Councils should then contact Religious Educations Programs in the area as well as publish announcements of the contest in local parish bulletins. Councils judge essays submitted and make appropriate awards to the contest winners.

January 5: Councils submit first place essays in each grade level (8, 9, 10, 11, 12) no later than January 5 to the State Council for judging. At the State Council there are 2 judging categories Division 1: 8th and 9th graders, Division 2: 10th through 12th graders. Supreme will be judging all first place essays at each grade level 8 through 12. Therefore, make sure you submit first place winners in each grade level.

February 15: State Council winning essays submitted to Supreme for International judging

May: State Council makes awards to the first, second, and third winners in each category.

Essay Theme/Topic:

Pope St. Paul VI wrote: "The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the church."

The topic of this years essay contest is: **How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?**

Guidelines:

- * essays must reflect the assigned theme/topic and be submitted by the published deadline
- * essays are to be the students original work
- * essays must be typed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper, **one sided, double spaced**, with 1" margins
- * essays must be between 500 - 750 words
- * students name should appear only on the knights of Columbus Essay contest Form which should be stapled to the essay
- * all entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus and will not be returned

Councils are to submit winning essays no later than January 5 to:

James W. Ciaglo Jr., Catholic Citizenship Essay Chairman
565 Old Hartford Rd.
Colchester, CT 0641



Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest 2023-2024 Student Guidelines

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Essay Theme/Topic:

Pope St. Paul VI wrote: “The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church.”

The topic of the essay contest is: How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?

Guidelines:

- *essays must reflect the assigned theme/topic and be submitted by the published deadline to the local K of C Council
- *essays are to be the students original work
- *essays must be typed on 8 1/2” x 11” paper, **one sided, double spaced**, with 1” margins
- *essays must be between 500 - 750 words
- *students name should appear only on the knights of Columbus Essay Contest Form which should be stapled to the essay, please do not put name of the essay
- *all entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus and will not be returned
- *deadline for submitting essays is _____

All essays are to be submitted to:

(local Council chairman name and address)



Knights of Columbus

Suggested Parish Bulletin Announcement

_____ Council, Knights of Columbus, is sponsoring a Catholic Citizenship essay contest for students in grades 8 through 12.

Pope St. Paul VI wrote: “The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church.”

The topic of the essay contest is:

In an essay of 500-750 words: **How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?**

To receive contest rules and an entry form contact:

All entries must be submitted to _____ Council by _____.