



Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

is pleased to announce its annual

International High School Essay Contest

As a mandated element of the Annual International Achievement Week Observance

Four College Scholarship Awards:

1st Scholarship: \$5,000; 2nd Scholarship: \$3,000;
3rd Scholarship: \$2,000; 4th Scholarship: \$1,000

Contest Closes: October 21, 2022

2022 Essay Title

A world crisis has caused a paradigm shift for health disparities and social justice; what are your suggestions for positive change?

Eligibility & Rules

The Contest is open to all college-bound, high school seniors who submit an essay application through a Chapter of the Fraternity.

The essay must be original and neither previously published nor secured by copyright. The essay must be between **700 and 750 words** in length. The type-written, double-spaced essay must be submitted via email in Microsoft Word or .pdf format.

Submission Process

All submissions will be reviewed by your local Chapter (determined by your high school/home address). **Submissions will not be accepted after October 21, 2022. Do not change or shorten the Essay Topic.**

The following information for the contestant must appear on the first page in this manner:

Title: _____
An Essay By: _____ Home Street Address: _____
City, State, Zip Code: _____ Name of High School: _____
Address of High School: _____
Student Email: _____ Phone # _____

Contest Name: **Omega Psi Phi Fraternity International High School Essay Contest**

Name of Sponsoring **Chapter: Epsilon Xi** Location of Chapter: **Sacramento, CA**

The manuscript must be postmarked or time stamped on the email not later than midnight, **October 21, 2022**, and sent to an Omega Psi Phi Chapter Sponsoring the Essay Contest.

Essays are **not** to be sent to the Fraternity's Headquarters facility and any received there will be considered ineligible.



Rating Criteria

All local Chapters will assemble a review panel to assess submitted essays based on the following criteria. Essays may earn a maximum rating of 100 points.

1. **Development of Topic/Thesis: (30 possible points)**

Topic is well-developed (covers and develops major points, supplying enough information for understanding)

2. **Progression: (20 possible points)**

Composition progresses from beginning to end in a logical flow of information.

3. **Readability: (25 possible points)**

Concise prose that sticks to the point and does not ramble (holds reader's attention)

4. **Grammar: (15 possible points)**

Agreement of subject and verb; proper tense; correct sentence construction; paragraphing, including transitional phrases linking same

5. **Spelling: (5 possible points)**

6. **Punctuation: (5 possible points)**

Additional Information

Persons submitting manuscripts thereby grant to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. the right to keep the manuscripts and to exercise full publishing rights to them.

- **Awards will be announced on or about June 1, 2023**, and the decision of the judges will be final.
- The manuscripts must present an adequate treatment of the essay topic.
- Winners may be required to furnish written proof that they were enrolled in their respective high school at the time the essay was submitted.
- Awards will be submitted to each winner, upon written verification from an institution of higher education that the individual has enrolled.
- Actual enrollment (not just acceptance) is required.
- Awards must be claimed within 18 months after the announcement date to be valid.

Local Chapter Contact

Local Chapter Name: **Epsilon Xi Chapter – Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.**

Chair: **Bro: Eugene D. Jones**

Email all entries to: contact@capitolcityques.org

Please include the email of your parent or guardian when submitting your manuscript.



2022 INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ESSAY IS
OCTOBER 15, 2022

TOPIC: A world crisis has caused a paradigm shift for health disparities and social justice; what are your suggestions for positive change?

\$ 5000 - 1st Scholarship | \$ 3000 - 2nd Scholarship
\$ 2000 - 3rd Scholarship | \$ 1000 - 4th Scholarship

FOR DETAILS, APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFO
VISIT: WWW.CAPITOLCITYQUES.ORG/ESSAY-CONTEST
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