



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

UNITED STATES NAVY · MARINE CORPS · COAST GUARD

2026 - 2027

AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

WHAT DOES *Patriotism* MEAN TO ME?

CONTEST DETAILS

ELIGIBILITY : Students, Grade 7 through 12
DEADLINE : December 1, 2026
REQUIREMENTS : 350 words or less
THEME : *"What Does Patriotism Mean to Me?"*
WEBSITE : fra.org/essay

GRAND PRIZE

\$1,500

18 NATIONAL AWARDS
REGIONAL & LOCAL PRIZES

FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONTEST, CONTACT:

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