



Sons of the American Revolution

Alabama Society

George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest

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The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) invites all high school students (9th through 12th grades) interested in the American Revolution to participate in the George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest. The contest is open to all students attending home schools, public, parochial, or private high schools in that same grade range. The National Association of Secondary School Principals has placed this program on the 2019-2020 NASSP List of Approved Contests, Programs, and Activities for Students.

To participate, students must submit an original 800-to-1,200-word essay based on an event, person, philosophy or ideal associated with the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the United States Constitution. Each student's essay will be judged based upon its historical accuracy, clarity, organization, grammar and spelling, and documentation.

The contest is conducted in three phases: the local chapter, state-level society, and national phases. The contest must be entered through an SAR chapter near the student's residence. In some cases, the contest may be entered at the state level (if the local society does not have chapters or the chapters are not participating) and a contact-at-large should be used to find out more contest details. The list of contest contacts listed below can provide you with assistance in entering the Knight Essay Contest. Only one entry per student is permitted per contest year.

A complete set of rules, along with the application for both the applicant and the sponsoring SAR members, can be found below. Please be aware that the local application deadline dates may vary, so interested applicants should reach out to their local SAR Chapter for further details.

George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Contest Rules

link as follows:

<https://www.sar.org/george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest/>

George S. & Stella M. Knight Essay Application Form

link as follows :

<https://members.sar.org/media/uploads/pages/51/4MAzgebHVT2P.pdf>

The links may be copied and pasted into the url line of browser.

The state winner for this contest receives \$500 and an Olympic-sized (State level) medallion; 2nd place receives \$250 and a certificate; 3rd place receives \$150 and a certificate. Chairman will send checks and certificates to Chapters after Convention. First place essay is judged at National Congress.