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**Broward County Waterway Cleanup Essay Contest Guidelines**

The Marine Industries Association of South Florida is conducting its annual essay contest for Broward County high school students, in conjunction with the Broward County Waterway Cleanup. The essays should focus on the importance of our local waterways to our community, included but not limited to their historic, economic, or environmental impact.

The winner of the essay contest will be awarded a $750 scholarship and will be announced at the Waterway Cleanup Trash Bash!

**COMPETITION RULES**

1. Entries should be a minimum of 800 words and a maximum of 1200 words in length.
2. Entries must be original and not previously published.
3. Only one entry per applicant will be accepted.
4. Entries must contain information regarding waterways/marine life researched by the applicant. Applicants must include a Bibliography with the submitted piece.
5. All entries must be typewritten, double-spaced on one side of 8 1/2 x 11" paper. Pages should be numbered. Text only; entries with illustrations will not be accepted.
6. Applicant must complete and attach the enclosed application form to his or her entry. Name and address of the writer **should not** appear on the manuscript.
7. Do not submit your only copy. All possible care is taken with manuscripts, but the MIASF is not responsible for loss or damage. Entries will not be returned.
8. Email entries or inquiries to [info@miasf.org](mailto:info@miasf.org). Entries also may be mailed to: MIASF – Waterway Cleanup, 221 SW 3rd Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312.
9. Entries must be postmarked no later than **Friday, February 14, 2025**.

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**Broward County Waterway Cleanup Essay Contest Application**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

**Name** Last \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Middle Int. \_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOOL INFORMATION:**

**Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Email: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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