

Liberty's Torch

2024 Theme



“Lessons I Learned From a Veteran”



Age: Liberty's Torch is open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students who reside in Glen Cove and attend public, private or parochial schools. Home-schooled students are also eligible.

Deadline: April 30th, 2024

Prize: \$250

Award: Presentation on Sunday, May 26th, 2024 at the Glen Cove Salutes Military Banner Unveiling at Morgan Memorial Park.

What is the Liberty's Torch Program?

Presented citywide, this program is sponsored by Glen Cove Salutes, a collaborative project of the City of Glen Cove's Veteran Affairs Office and the Glen Cove Public Library to honor the city's military service men and women. This essay competition gives middle school students an opportunity to write essays expressing their views on an annual patriotic theme.

How Am I Judged?

You will be judged according to the thoroughness of your research, personal reflection of the theme, and clarity of ideas communicated in the essay.

Knowledge of the theme is worth 30 points:

You must show a thorough knowledge of the theme in your work. Demonstrate you have researched the issue extensively.

Theme development is worth 35 points:

Answer all relevant facts about the theme such as the who, what, where, when and why. Relate the theme to your own experiences.

Clarity of ideas is worth 35 points:

Write your essay in an easy-to-understand format. Leave your reader with a clear understanding of your explanation of the theme.

How Do I Get Started?

Complete the official entry form and submit along with essay to:

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Tony Jimenez (Veteran Affairs Office)

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