
TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT IN ACTION

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ESSAY CONTEST 2017



Of the three major forms of government in the United States—federal, state, and local—none affects citizens more directly than local government. Local governments provide citizens with essential services such as roads, recreation, helping residents in need and so much more!

WHO: 6th through 8th grade students who attend schools located within District 7 boundaries.

SUBJECT: The student may choose either of the themes listed below.

“The History of the U.S. Navy A-7E Corsair II” – this essay will be a research based paper with historical findings presented on the U.S. Navy A-7E Corsair II, the type of aircraft that is on display at Edwardsville Township Community Park. We know our plane was aboard the U.S.S. Nimitz in the late 1970s, but what else can you find out about how A7 Corsairs were utilized by the Navy?

“An Origin Story”— this essay will be a short fictional story written in the first person. Let your creativity soar as you tell the story of how the plane found its home at Airplane Park. The story can be from the point of view of the pilot, the plane, or a bystander!

LENGTH: 250-500 words.

RULES: Must be typed on 8 ½"x11" sheet of paper, double spaced. Margins should be 1 ½" from top, 1" at bottom and sides.

JUDGING: Submissions will be judged based on the following criteria:

- Content
 - Proper paragraph and sentence structure
 - Spelling
 - Neatness
- You may select either theme provided above

Although basic mechanics of the writing will be considered, emphasis will be placed on the content of the essay.

AWARDS: One first place winner will be selected will receive \$75. The winning essay will also be published in the Edwardsville Intelligencer and on the Edwardsville Township website. Additionally, the 2nd and 3rd place submissions will be published and on the Edwardsville Township website.

DATES:

Essays must be received no later than Tuesday, March 21st, 2017 at 4:30pm. Attach cover sheet to each essay with the following information.

- Student's Name
- Student's Address
- Student's Grade
- Teacher's Name
- School Name
- Parent/ Guardian Name
- Parent/Guardian Contact #

WANT TO PARTICIPATE OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact Jeanne Wojcieszak, Township Administrator,
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