

**Public Release from The New Windsor Lions Club  
American Heritage, Preservation, & Patriotism  
2016-2017 Essay Contest**

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The American Heritage, Preservation and Patriotism essay topics for 2016-2017 are as follows:

Elementary Grades: How is being an elementary school student today different from being an elementary school student 100 years ago?

Middle School: What have you learned from history that will help America in the future?

High School: How is being a high school student today better than being a high school student 100 years ago?

Adult, non Lion What positive civic changes has America undergone in past 100 years?

Essays in each category will be judged by the sponsoring club and the winners will be presented cash prizes. The essay program rules for participation and compliance guidelines are:

Each entry must comply with the following rules for participation:

- Use 8 ½” by 11” white paper
- Essay must be either typed or computer generated and double spaced.  
Handwritten copies will not be read.
- Minimum of 300 words, maximum of 500 words
- Attach a separate cover sheet which includes the following information
  - entrant’s name
  - entrant’s home address including street, city, state and zip code
  - entrant’s home phone number
  - name of school or “home schooled” (except for adults and Lions and Lionesses)
  - name of sponsoring club

Those interested in participating should forward their essay to the **Lion Larry W. Thompson, 1925 Jordans Retreat Rd. New Windsor, MD 21776.** The deadline for entry is **Wednesday, December 14, 2016.** All entries must have a readable post marked and received no later than December 14, 2016.

We at the New Windsor Lions Club look forward to the opportunity to be able to read you thoughts on these interesting topics as they relate to our Heritage and your Patriotic views.

Sincerely,

Larry W. Thompson  
Chairman of American Heritage, Preservation and Patriotism

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**(Select those grade levels that apply to the school)\***

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Grades; 6, 7 &8

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Grades; 9, 10, 11 & 12  
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