



Ashley Chapter

Daughters of the American Revolution

American History Essay Contest Grade 5-8

Theme: The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

November 11, 2021, marks the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Imagine that you had a brother who lost his life on the battlefields of France during World War I. You and your family attended the November 11, 1921, dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. Describe what this meant to you and your family. Why is it important to remember those who gave their lives to serve our nation?

Contest Guidelines

This contest was established to encourage young people to think creatively about our nation's great history and learn about history in a new light. Each academic year, a unique essay topic is chosen and guidelines are made available.

- The contest is open to all students in grades 5-8.
- Essays are judged for historical accuracy, adherence to topic, organization of materials, interest, originality, spelling, grammar, punctuation, and neatness.
- Additional rules and guidelines can be found by contacting your local DAR chapter.

A winner will be selected from each of the four grades to advance to the state level. The state winner from each grade will advance to the divisional level. The divisional winners will advance to the national level where the winners are announced. All National winners will receive a certificate, medal and a monetary reward.

Deadline for submission is December 6, 2021

For more information or to submit an essay, please contact
the essay committee:

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