



NEWS RELEASE



For Immediate Release

Contact: James Morrissey

LOCAL STUDENT COULD WIN \$5,000 IN COLLEGE MONEY!

Commander James morrissey of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post # 3264, announced the kick-off of this year's VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary "Patriot's Pen Essay Competition." Middle school students in grades 6-8 in this area have the opportunity to compete in the VFW's annual essay competition and win thousands of dollars.

Students begin by competing at the local Post level. Post winners advance to District. District winners compete in the state competition. The state winners compete for \$46,000 in awards, and the first place winner wins \$5,000. Each year, around 125,000 students participate nationwide.

Students are invited to write a 300-400-word essay on a patriotic theme. The theme for 2013-2014 (which is the 19th year of the contest) is:

"What Patriotism Means to Me"

Deadline for student entries is November 1st, and interested students and teachers should contact their local VFW Post # 3264 by phone at 508-339-2556 or write to the Post at 88 chilson ave mansfield, massachuttes 02048 for more information.

FOR DETAILS VISIT <http://www.vfw.org/Community/Patriot-s-Pen/>

###