

NACOGDOCHES COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN
2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The 2018 Essay Topic is '**Discuss the importance of a free and unbiased Fourth Estate (the public press and all its branches)**'.

Defend your answer in an original essay of at least 300 words and not over two pages of 8 ½" X 11" typed or printed. A different topic is chosen each year by the NCRW Scholarship Committee.

Your essay **MUST BE 300 WORDS** and should reflect the level of composition and standard use of the English Language generally expected of entering college freshmen. Use paragraphs, correct spelling, correct punctuation, and complete, concise sentences with a subject and a predicate that agree. Put quotation marks around quotations. Cited sources can be on a third page. Standard footnotes, end notes and references are acceptable, but not required.

Your essay must be in your own thoughts and words! However, it is acceptable and strongly advised that another person review your work before submission for any needed corrections as noted above. Computer spell and grammar check does not catch all errors!

Do not send letters of recommendation. The scholarship is based solely on the essay and the following requirements.

- A written letter introducing yourself to the judges
- Must be resident of Nacogdoches County and graduating senior of high school or home school
- Must be US citizen and attend a Texas High School for at least 2 years
- High school transcript must accompany application
- Must be accepted into a 2 or 4 year academic/technical institution of higher learning and include copy of letter of acceptance
- Must be involved in conservative, extra-curricular, and/or community service activities
- Must receive application form, introduction letter, 300 word essay, transcript, and letter of acceptance from 2 or 4 year institution altogether postmarked no later than March 31st

All applicants will receive fair and equal review prior to award. All decisions are final.

The Scholarships to be awarded will be at least one \$750 award. Our judges' decision is final.

Scholarship money will be paid in the winner's name to the school of their choice for the upcoming fall semester.

The Scholarship Winner will be announced at his/her high school senior awards or graduation ceremony. A NCRW member will attend if possible to present the scholarship award certificate. You will also be invited with your parents to attend a Nacogdoches County Republican Women's Club meeting so that our members can congratulate and meet you.

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2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE: POSTMARKED - MARCH 31, 2018

APPLICANT'S NAME _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

HIGH SCHOOL _____

EXTRACURRICULAR/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (ADD EXTRA PAGE IF NECESSARY) _____

PARENTS' NAMES _____

ACADEMIC OR TECHNICAL SCHOOLS/COLLEGES TO WHICH APPLIED: (NOTE IF ACCEPTED)

APPLICANT'S ORIGINAL SIGNATURE:

DATE:

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Send two copies of transcript, application, and essay. Send one by regular mail on 8 1/2" X 11" paper to: Dorothy C. Smith, NACOGDOCHES COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY, P. O. Box 630866, Nacogdoches, Texas 75963-0866 and one by email (if possible) to NCRW2014@gmail.com.