

5TH ANNUAL "HONOR, COURAGE AND COMMITMENT" ESSAY CONTEST

WHO IS YOUR HERO?

Theme: Who is Your Hero and Why?

Sponsors: Flying Leatherneck Aviation Museum, Flying Leatherneck Historical Foundation and Character Education Resource Center at the University of San Diego.

Eligibility: Students in grades 6-12 in San Diego and Imperial County public, private, charter, faith-based and home schools.

Due Date: November 11, 2019

Length:

- Up to 600 words (grades 6-8)
- Up to 1000 words (grades 9-12)

Titles and footnotes are excluded from word count

Prizes: Teachers of winners will receive \$200.

Student winners in each category (grades 6-8 and 9-12) will receive the following awards:

- First Place-\$300 and a plaque
- Second Place-\$200 and a plaque
- Third Place-\$100 and a plaque

Winners Announced: December 2019

Judging: Knowledge of theme, creativity, originality and clarity.

Judging Criteria and Submission Form: <https://flyingleathernecks.org/education/essay-contest/>

Teachers, not students, submit essays for consideration.

Questions: education@flyingleathernecks.org

"In our world of big names, curiously, our true heroes tend to be anonymous. In this life of illusion and quasi-illusion, the person of solid virtues who can be admired for something more substantial than his well-knownness often proves to be the unsung hero: the teacher, the nurse, the mother, the honest cop, the hard worker at lonely, underpaid, unglamorous, unpublicized jobs." –Daniel Boorstin, Historian

Note to Educators: Participating in the essay contest fulfills the requirements for California Education Mandate 235.5 (a) for character and civic education as well as Common Core requirements.



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