



2012 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ESSAY CONTEST

Help us celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2012!

Once again, Saint Michael the Archangel High School is hosting an essay contest open to all Catholic students in grades 6 through 8. Answer the question below and you could win a scholarship to SMHS and/or a gift card to American Eagle!

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The Church teaches that man's purpose is to know, love, and serve God in this life so that we can be happy with him in the next. How can man's purpose be promoted by faith, academics and service?

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Prizes Include:

- A \$500 scholarship to Saint Michael the Archangel High School for the first-place winner PLUS a \$50 gift certificate to American Eagle Outfitters!
- A \$25 gift certificate to American Eagle Outfitters for the second-place winner!
- A \$15 gift certificate to American Eagle Outfitters for the third-place winner!
- Commemorative plaques for first, second, third place and honorable mention!
- Award presentation during the VCAC Boys Basketball Tournament on Saturday, February 4!
- Certificate of Participation for each entry received!

Contest Eligibility and Details:

- Open to all Catholic students currently in grades six through eight
- **Deadline for all submissions is Wednesday, January 25.** Essays must be received by this date via e-mail, fax, or US Mail (postmarks will not be accepted)
- Essay must be accompanied by the contest application form attached (also can be found online at www.saintmichaelhs.org)
- Essays will be judged on relativity to topic, correct use of grammar, punctuation, and spelling, as well as adherence to contest rules
- Winners will be notified by telephone and/or email no later than Wednesday, February 1.

See the reverse for additional essay details and the contest application form.

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Essay Requirements:

- Essay must be a minimum of 500, but no more than 750, words. Exact word count must be printed at the bottom of the submission.
- Essay must have a title.
- Essay must be on-topic, well-written, and grammatically correct. Correct spelling and punctuation also will be considered.
- Essay must be typed, double-spaced, and printed on one-side only of 8 1/2" x 11" (letter) sized paper, with margins set at 1" on all four sides. Essay must be in Times 12 or a similarly-sized font.
- Essay must NOT include the author's name. Rather, submission must be accompanied by a completed contest application form.
- Essay MUST be received by Wednesday, January 25. Submissions can be sent via US Mail, facsimile, or e-mailed to info@saintmichaelhs.org.

Official Contest Application Form

STUDENT INFORMATION

Essay Title _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone Number (____) _____

E-mail Address _____

Grade in School _____ Anticipated Year of Graduation _____

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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of School _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

By signing below, I pledge that this essay is my own work and agree to abide by the guidelines and requirements of the 2012 SMHS Catholic Schools Week Essay Contest. I understand that my essay becomes the property of SMHS and will not be returned to me.

Signature of Student _____ **Date** _____