

2006 / 2007 National Winners



Congratulations to students for their intense research and excellent writing! More than 2,500 9th – 12th grade students from public, private, parochial schools and home-schooling regions competed nationwide, with American student participation as far away as Thailand. To ensure fair and anonymous judging, students' names, schools, home localities and other identifying information did not appear on the essays. Identified only by an identification number, student entries were judged strictly upon research, historical accuracy, knowledge and analysis of subject matter, supporting evidence, adherence to the topic, originality, and writing skills.



Teacher Award

FIRST FREEDOM TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD

MS. CHARLOTTE KNEUPPER

Comfort High School
Comfort, Texas

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Student Winners

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\$3,000 FIRST-PLACE ESSAY AWARD

ASHLEY DENNEY

Newton High School
Newton, Kansas

TEACHER: Ms. Karen Wiebe

[Essay](#)

\$1,500 SECOND-PLACE ESSAY AWARD

NATHANIEL FRENCH

Gibbs High School
St. Petersburg, Florida

TEACHER: Mr. Dennis Zuercher

[Essay](#)

\$750 THIRD-PLACE ESSAY AWARD

JESSICA WASSON

Edgerton High School
Edgerton, Ohio

TEACHER: Mr. Matt Krill

[Essay](#)

Honorable Mention

IRTEZA BINTE-FARID

Albemarle High School
Charlottesville, Virginia
TEACHER: Ms. Natasha Heny

ASHLEY CHIARELLI

Alief Kerr High School
Houston, Texas
TEACHER: Ms. Jana Johnson

CAITLIN DUNN

Jay County High School
Portland, Indiana
TEACHER: Ms. Trina Moser

ANDREW BUCHMANN

Beulah High School
Beulah, North Dakota
TEACHER: Ms. Cindy O'Dell

TESS DeLEAN

Whitfield School
St. Louis, Missouri
TEACHER: Mr. Mike McGlew

ALEXANDRA ROBISON

Branson High School
Branson, Missouri
TEACHER: Ms. Mary Beth Calkin

RENEE TSOSIE

Southwest Open High School
Cortez, Colorado
TEACHER: Ms. Sandi Valencia