



## ATTENTION GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS! \$200 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST



**SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:** The Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs is pleased to announce its' **2020 Essay Scholarship for High School Seniors**. Any graduating Oregon High School Senior is eligible to enter the contest. Each applicant must be an Oregon resident. One \$200 scholarship will be awarded to the winning student to be used for college tuition to further their education (in any subject) at an accredited school of higher education.

**ESSAY TOPIC:** The topic for this year's contest is, "Growth In Service." We would like you to write about a personal experience you had where you volunteered for community service.

**CONTEST LOCATION AND DATE:** The winner will be announced at the state contest, to be held at Oak Knoll Golf Course, 6335 Highway 22 Independence, Oregon 97351 on April 11, 2020. Registration is from 9:30 am to 10:00 am on April 11, 2020. The contest will begin promptly at 10:00 am. Essay contributors are not required to attend the contest (which includes live performances by students competing for instrumental and vocal scholarships),but are strongly encouraged to attend.

**CONTEST INFORMATION:** Only original material will be accepted. Essays will be judged by individuals with a background in writing who are not affiliated with the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs. Essays will be judged on the following criteria:

Ideas and Content	25% - main idea and supporting details are well developed
Organization	15% - the beginning, middle, and end make sense
Voice	15% - the paper tells what the writer thinks or feels
Word Choice	15% - the use of appropriate, lively, and inviting words
Sentence Fluency	15% - the sentences vary in length and are interesting to read
Conventions	15% - grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation are error-free

-A first, second, and third place winner will be declared by the judges.

-If the judges determine that there is no qualified contestant, no award will be granted.

-The winning student will notify the Chairman by October 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year after the scholarship award which college\university they will be attending. If this notification is not received within this timeframe, the scholarship will be forfeited. If the winning student does forfeit their scholarship, then the scholarship will be awarded to the second place winner.

**ESSAY FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS:** The essay must be no more than 1,500 words in length. The essay must be typed, double-spaced, with a 12 pt. font, and one inch margins all around. Please include a word count at the end of the essay. Three hard copies of the essay are required for the judges.

**HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ESSAY:** Essays should be mailed to the contest organizer, Allison Belisle 10034 SW Steeplechase Circle Beaverton, OR 97008. Please send **THREE** hard copies of your essays, along with a completed and signed official entry form (see below). **Essays must be mailed with a postmark of no later than March 11, 2020.**



**Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs  
Essay Scholarship for High School Seniors  
Official Entry Form**



Name of Applicant:	Phone Number:
Mailing Address:	Email Address:
Parent/Guardian Name:	Parent/Guardian Phone Number:
Name of High School:	High School Office Phone Number:

**CONTEST CHECKLIST:**

- I have enclosed three copies of my essay for the judges
- I understand my essay must adhere to the designated topic and length, be typed, double spaced, with a 12 point font and 1 inch margins
- I understand that the deadline for entry is postmarked by March 11, 2020.
- I have read, understand and agree to abide by all eligibility and performance requirements, and all information I have provided is correct.

Name of Applicant:	Signature of Applicant:	Date:
Name of Parent/Guardian:	Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:

**Send this signed form and three copies of the essay to:**  
Allison Belisle, 10034 SW Steeplechase Circle Beaverton, OR 97008  
**OR** e-mail the signed form to [sajcb@yahoo.com](mailto:sajcb@yahoo.com) 503-524-8197

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