

## ESSAY CONTEST

### PURPOSE:

To establish the guidelines and awards for all Essays submitted to the Council of Governors.

### GENERAL:

1. All essays shall follow the rules established by Lions Clubs International. Any entry submitted by the sub-district not following the theme and rules as outlined by Lions Clubs International shall be automatically disqualified.
2. Each District Governor shall submit ONLY ONE entry per sub-district annually.
3. All essays shall be submitted to the Multiple District State Council Chairperson in care of the State Office by the date established by Lions Clubs International.
4. The judges selected by the State Administrator shall be independent of the State Council of Lions Clubs.
  - a. It is recommended that the judges have a background in evaluation of reports or written presentations as they relate to a specific topic (theme).
  - b. The judges shall judge the essay according to the theme and rules set forth by Lions Clubs International.
5. The Council of Governors shall determine the types of plaques, certificates and/or monetary awards to be presented the First, Second and Third place winners and Honorable Mention. The awards shall be as follows:
  - a. First Place - \$250.00 check and Plaque
  - b. Second Place - \$150.00 check and Plaque
  - c. Third Place - \$100.00 check and Plaque
  - d. Three (3) Honorable Mention Plaques
6. The awards shall be presented to the District Governors of the winning Districts at the Third Council of Governors Meeting, to be presented to their winners of the State Contest at an appropriate occasion.