



# National Right to Life

## 2024 Pro-Life Essay Contest

*Essays should address this question:*

**Why are you pro-life?**

Senior Essay Contest: Grades 10-12

Junior Essay Contest: Grades 7-9

*Prizes (awarded in each contest):*

**First Place: \$500**

**Second Place: \$250**

**Third Place: \$100**

For more information, please email Scott Fischbach at [scott@nrlc.org](mailto:scott@nrlc.org)  
or visit the NRLC website at [nrlc.org](http://nrlc.org).

*Please see second page for important essay guidelines.*

## **Essay Guidelines**

1. Essays must answer the question: “Why are you pro-life?”
2. Essays must be 300-500 words in length.
3. Essays must be double spaced with the pages numbered. Use no smaller than 12 pt. font.
4. Cite any sources used.
5. Please do not include artwork, pictures, or plastic covers.
6. Include a cover sheet that includes the following: full name, full mailing address, phone number, student’s grade level, student’s date of birth, parent’s name, and word count.

## **Submission Guidelines**

1. Essays should be submitted between Dec. 20, 2023, and Jan. 21, 2024. Essays must be postmarked by Jan. 21, 2024.
2. Please mail the essay. Electronic submissions will only be accepted under special circumstances.
3. Essays may be submitted to: NRLC, Scott Fischbach, 1446 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314
4. By submitting an entry, the contestant and parent or guardian confirm that the essay is original, but not copyrighted, and agree to allow National Right to Life to reprint the essay if it wins.

Essays will be judged on originality, content, and accuracy. Each judge will rank a randomly selected group of five essays from 1-5. Essays ranked #1 will move to the second round. Essays may be grouped by region (West, Midwest, South, and East) depending on the number of entries. The announcement of winners will be made as soon as possible, but judging time depends on the number of entries received.

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