

\$4,000.00 Scholarship Contest DFCA Members Only! Any grade!



\$2000 TOP AWARD

PLUS: ONE \$1,000.00 Runner-Up Award

PLUS: FOUR \$250.00 Finalist Awards

Drug Free Clubs of America Essay Scholarship Contest details – (absolutely no exceptions):

- By **FEBRUARY 23rd**, submit this application and a one-page essay to your school's DFCA coordinator. Applications must be 100% complete. Hard copy or electronic submissions are acceptable. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- Essays must be a one-page, typed, single-spaced, 1-inch margins, Arial font size no bigger than 12.
- The DFCA member's grade, school, and name must be at the top of the essay answer.
- Qualifying essays will first be read and judged by the school. The top entry will be submitted electronically by the school to DFCA as their "Semi-Finalist" by **MARCH 9th**.
- DFCA staff will cover the member's school and name (grade remains) then distribute them to judges.
- Essays receiving the most votes by judges will win.
- Winners will be announced on or before **APRIL 6th**.
- Scholarship awards come in the form of a check, payable to the member and the parent listed below.

Choose ONE of these 5 topics for your one-page essay:

How has Drug Free Clubs of America affected or changed your:

- 1. Family**
- 2. School**
- 3. Community**
- 4. Friends and yourself**

- OR - (for multi-year members only):

- 5. How do you view the club differently from the beginning to now?**

The award money must be used for education-related expenses such as tuition, fees, equipment, etc, in accordance with IRS code 117, and a *W-9 form must be completed to receive the award.*

Agreement (Complete & submit to your school coordinator with your essay BY FEBRUARY 23rd.)

I, _____ (PRINT DFCA Member's name)

- Understand that I can only receive award funds if I am an active member of DFCA throughout the *entire* contest period (including the judging and winner announcements).
- Promise that everything in the application and essay is true and is my original work.
- Am aware and agree that all contest entries become the property of DFCA and may be copied, published, and/or reproduced at the sole discretion of DFCA. DFCA may use any combination of my name, likeness, photograph and contest submission for promotional and publicity purposes.
- Agree that all decisions made by Drug Free Clubs of America and/or the Essay Scholarship Award judges are final and may not be contested.

Member's Signature: X _____ **Date:** _____

Grade: _____ **School:** _____ **Parent Phone:** _____

Parent/Guardian consents to all above (Print and sign name below):

Print _____ **Sign** _____