

Win up to \$300 and statewide recognition through 2012 Law Day *Essay Contest*

The Missouri NEA Public Relations Committee, the Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section and the Missouri Press Association will once again challenge students to think about their role as citizens and organize their thoughts into an essay for the annual Law Day Essay Contest.

Essay Theme:

No courts. No justice. No freedom.
This year's Law Day Essay Contest theme highlights the role of the nation's courts in our constitutional democracy and fosters public understanding about the judiciary. Consider what courts are and what the principles of justice and freedom represent. Without our courts, we would have neither justice nor freedom.

Who can participate?

Students in 4th through 12th grade

Contest Rules

Students will compete in three categories, grades 4-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Entries should be no longer than 700 words and will be judged on general appearance, structure, content, creativity and originality.

Entry Deadline

Essays must be postmarked by Feb. 3, 2012.

Prizes

U.S. Savings Bonds ranging from \$150 to \$300
(Prizes will be awarded in May.)



For contest entry forms and other details, visit
www.mnea.org/Missouri/Contests.aspx.