



**Americanism Essay Contest
2018-2019 Department of Maryland Cover Sheet**

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA), Department of Maryland, Inc., sponsors an **Americanism Essay Contest** for students in grades 3-8. Grade levels are divided into three groups. Three awards in each of the three groups will be presented in each Unit, District and Department, with prizes at each level. First place Department winners will be sent to the National Competition. The contest time frame is November 1-January 31.

Essay Title: "How can we address and prevent veteran homelessness in our communities?"

Essay Groups:	Group	Grade Level	Word Requirement
	I	3 and 4	150-250
	II	5 and 6	250-300
	III	7 and 8	350-400
	IV	Students with Special needs	Word count should correspond with student's grade level

Essay Checklist

- Group competing in _____
- Sponsoring ALA unit 191
- Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for group
- Completed essay cover sheet as first page of essay
- Word count of essay _____
- Student signature at end of essay

To Be Completed by the Student/Parent:

Student Name: _____
 Address (Street, City, State, Zip): _____
 E-mail Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 School Name: _____
 School City/State: _____
 Teacher Name and Signature: _____

Maryland Public School Districts are not a sponsor of this contest; however, student participation is encouraged to complement academic growth and endeavors.

Auxiliary Use Only (Must be completed for entry to be considered.):

Sponsoring Unit Name/Number: Gold Star Unit 191
 Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman: Jamie Morris
 Unit winners due to District President by March 1, 2019 District _____

District winners due to Department Americanism Chairman by March 20, 2019

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