2021 Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society
Law Day Contest

Law Day Theme: “Advancing the Rule of Law, Now”

$1,000 AWARDS
AND
WINNERS PRESENT TO CONNECTICUT SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

Entry Deadline: April 9, 2021

About the Contest: This annual contest provides an opportunity to win prizes, learn about our legal system and get creative. The contest can be incorporated into a curriculum, offered as extra credit, or just done for fun. Both individual and team submissions are accepted.

2021 Law Day Theme: As stated by the American Bar Association, the 2021 Law Day theme is “Advancing the Rule of Law, Now.” As explained by the ABA: “The rule of law is the bedrock of American rights and liberties-in times of calm and unrest alike. The 2021 Law Day theme - Advancing the Rule of Law, Now - reminds all of us that we the people share the responsibility to promote the rule of law, defend liberty, and pursue justice.”

The Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society’s Law Day competition focuses on this theme and asks students to submit either an (1) essay or (2) an art piece that discusses or incorporates the 2021 Law Day theme.

Submission and Criteria: Two categories of submissions:

1. **ART:** Two-dimensional art pieces should not exceed 24” x 36” (including, but not limited to, drawings, paintings, photographs, comics, etc.).

2. **WRITTEN:** Written essay limited to 250 words.

Submissions should reflect on, discuss and/or incorporate the 2021 Law Day theme.

Contest Criteria: the submissions will be evaluated based on originality, quality, creativity and clarity of expression related to the 2021 Law Day theme.
**Eligibility:** The Law Day Contest is open to students, student groups, and classes attending a public or private high school, or being home schooled, within Connecticut and in grades 9-12 or the equivalent. All qualified participants under the age of 18 must have their parent or guardian sign the Parental Permission Release found on the Entry Form.

**Recognition and Awards:** One winner for each category will receive a prize of $1,000 (to an individual or a team). The winners will be recognized at the Law Day celebration to be held virtually on May 3, 2021 in conjunction with the Connecticut Supreme Court, where the winners will have the opportunity to present to the Chief Justice and the Associate Justices of the Connecticut Supreme Court.

Submissions should be emailed to:

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Or Hand-Delivered to:

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**Resource:** [https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/law-day/](https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/law-day/)

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**Questions?** If you have any questions in relation to the contest, please contact:

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