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Free Speech Essay Contest

The Hope and Stanley Adelstein Free Speech Essay Contest is right around the corner! This is an annual contest sponsored by the City Club of Cleveland. **It provides an opportunity for students to win scholarship money locally.**

They are looking for essays from high school students in Northeast Ohio that discuss the role of free speech in the 21st century. Essays should pull from personal experience, current events, history, politics, art, anything really so long as they are backed up with evidence. Essays

They will select three winners from 11/12 grade and three winners from 9/10 grade.

will be judged on their clarity, content, originality, and significance.

Submissions will go live in January 2017 and are due in March. They will select three winners from 11/12 grade and three winners from 9/10 grade. In the meanwhile, check out some articles on the topic, get familiar with it, and start thinking about how you will set your essay apart from the rest.



For more information, scan this QR code.

Interested students should see their teacher or Mrs. Eby for help with their essay.

Here it the writing prompt for this year:

“Social media platforms are no longer just a way to connect with friends, but are increasingly used as a way to share news and discuss current events. Platforms such as Facebook and Twitter have come under fire for failing to protect users from hate speech, while simultaneously facing backlash for failing to protect free speech. Given these contradictory perspectives and the increased prevalence of social media, how do social media platforms discern between what is free speech, what is hate speech, and what is bias on the part of platforms?”