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East Bay High School Peace Essay Contest
United Nations Association - East Bay Chapter

Who is Eligible: 12th graders in High Schools of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, California

Deadline for Submission of Contest Entries: December 15th, 2016

Finalists Selected & Winners Announced: January 8th, 2017

Presentation of Awards: January 22nd, 2017 at the UN Association's Annual Meeting, Berkeley, CA

Prizes for Award Winners: 1st Prize: **\$1000**; Prizes to the best student at each participating school: **\$500**

Essay Theme: Contestants are invited to write an essay of not more than 2500 words (5 pages). This year the essay must address the following statement and question:

Seventy-one years ago, the United Nations was formed "to maintain international peace and security, to develop friendly relations among nations, to achieve international cooperation in solving global problems and to promote and encourage respect for human rights and freedom for all." Is the UN succeeding in its mission? Why or why not? Please provide concrete examples to support your answers.

Award winners will be selected based on the following criteria:

- All essays must have a thesis.
- The explanations, analysis, and creative thinking; supportive evidence; and plausibility of proposed actions.
- Quality of writing, style, and presentation.

Additional requirements for the essay:

- Citations and a bibliography if any outside sources are used.
- 12-pt font, double-spaced, numbered pages, one inch margins all around.
- Title page should include the question the essay addresses, title of the essay, name of the sole writer, telephone number, home address, and email address (so that contestants can be notified about test results).

Procedures for submission of essays:

- Submit essays by email to unaeastbayessay@gmail.com. All papers must be typed in WORD doc format.
- OR mail a hard copy of your essay to:

UNA - USA East Bay Essay Competition
c/o Angela Mason
637 Yuba Street
Richmond, CA 94805

If you have any questions, kindly email them to unaeastbayessay@gmail.com

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