

# Point Pleasant Borough Memorial Day Essay Contest



## Essay Contest Rules

- Contest open to Point Pleasant Borough residents in Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>.
- All student essays must address the theme, "What Memorial Day Means To Me"
- Students will submit one original essay of 250-300 words typed and double-spaced.
- Students are encouraged to discuss the essay theme with teachers, parents and friends.
- Student must write the essay in his/her own words.
- The essay should be positive and clearly focused on the theme.
- Teachers and parents may check essays, but the content of an essay must remain that of the student.
- An official Memorial Day Essay Contest entry form must accompany the completed essay.
- Deadline for entries is **May 12, 2017** and should be dropped off at Recreation Center.

## Criteria for Judging

- Essays will be evaluated on the quality of writing that is associated with the appropriate grade.
- Essays will be evaluated on a 100 point system with up to 10 points for following directions, up to 20 points for spelling and grammar, up to 20 points for readability and organization and up to 50 points for originality, adherence to theme, content and overall impact upon the reader.

Winners will be notified by preferred method indicated on May 19, 2017.

Winners are invited to read their essay prior to the start of the Memorial Day ceremony held at Community Park on May 28, 2017 at noon.

One winner and an honorable mention will be selected in each age group; 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

Please complete the form below and attach it to your entry:

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## **Memorial Day Essay Contest: "What Memorial Day Means To Me"**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact method-

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Email: \_\_\_\_\_