

2017-2018 LAOH IRISH HISTORY WRITING CONTEST

Expressing Irish History through Music

Level 1 and Level 2

Introduction & Eligibility

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc sponsors a National Irish History Writing Contest for students in Grades 6 through 12. The contest is comprised of two levels: Level 1 is for students in Grade 6, 7, or 8 and Level 2 is for students in Grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. Students who are enrolled in parochial, private, public or who are home schooled are eligible to participate.

Contest Timelines

- ✓ *October 1, 2017 - Contest begins*
- ✓ *November 15, 2017 - Students are required to submit four (4) copies of their essay to the LAOH Division Historian*
- ✓ *December 15, 2017 - Essays submitted to LAOH County Level Historian*
- ✓ *January 15, 2018 - Essays submitted to LAOH State Historian*
- ✓ *February 15, 2018 - Essays submitted to LAOH National Level Historian*

Paper Length Guidelines

Level 1 - Not less than 500 words or more than 1,000 words
Level 2 - Not less than 750 words or more than 1,500 words

Contest Rules and Guidelines

A Title Page is to be provided using double-line spacing. The student's name, address (either school, home or parish), city, state and zip code, school name, grade level, and number of words in paper exclusive of the Works Cited/Reference Section.

The Title Page should not be numbered. Page numbers are to be placed in the upper right-hand corner at 1/2 inch. Page numbers should be consecutive beginning with the first page of the body of the paper. The student's name should not appear on any page in the paper. The student's name is stated only on the title page.

Drawings, maps charts, and pictures are not to be included on the title page or in the body of the paper.

Double-line spacing is to be used throughout the paper including the title page, body, quotations and sources used.

All submissions are to be printed on white paper, single-sided only. Letter font is not to exceed 12 point.

Margins are to be 1 inch at the top, bottom and sides of page. Paragraphs are to be indented 1/2 inch from left margin

National Awards Announced March 31, 2018

All students interested in entering the 2017-2018 LAOH Irish History Writing Contest at either Level 1 or Level 2 are to adhere to the 2017-2018 published LAOH Irish History Writing Contest Rules and Guidelines.

National Awards

Level 1 — Grades 6-7-8

- **First Prize** \$500
- **Second Prize** \$250
- **Third Prize** \$100
- **Honorable Mention** \$50
- **Honorable Mention** \$50

Level 2 – Grades 9-10-11-12

- **First Prize** \$1,000
- **Second Prize** \$500
- **Third Prize** \$250
- **Honorable Mention** \$100
- **Honorable Mention** \$100

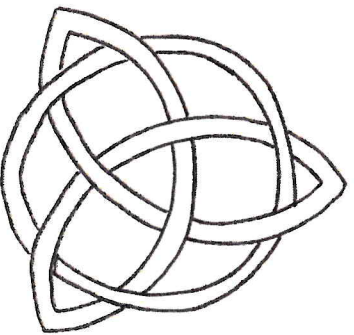
A complete set of rules may be accessed on the LAOH website under the Irish Historian button at www.ladiesaoh.com.



Each Student through his/her participation gives permission to the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc to share his/her submitted paper with the LAOH membership; at meetings, events, and/ or shared on the LAOH website.

References are to be acknowledged in the body of the text. You are to give credit for quotations. If the quotation is less than 4 lines, the quote is to be incorporated in the body of the paragraph and if the quotation is more than 4 lines, it is to be indented one (1) inch from the left margin. Sources used are to be listed on a separate page after the body of the paper.

For more information and complete rules, visit the LAOH website: www.ladiesaoh.com.



The LAOH Irish Historian, at each Organizational level, will utilize a committee of qualified judges with English and History backgrounds to evaluate all Level 1 and Level 2 submitted student papers. The judges shall determine the winners at each level using the LAOH National Irish History Writing Contest Rules, Guidelines and Judging Criteria.

The Judging Criteria includes the following categories with their point values:

- ✓ Comprehension - 30 points
- ✓ Organization - 20 points
- ✓ Conclusion - 15 points
- ✓ Creativity - 20 points
- ✓ Writing - 15 points.

ESSAYS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO:

LAOH Irish Historian:

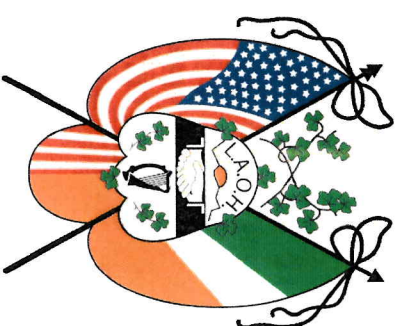
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Irish History Contest 2017-2018 Theme

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Awards are presented at the Local Level, the State Level, and at the National Level

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