

**TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (TEXAS SAR)  
CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (C.A.R.) ESSAY CONTEST  
2016/2017**

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Subject: “WHO WAS ALEXANDER HAMILTON”

Purpose: Assist five (5) T.S.C.A.R. members with college scholarships.

Program: TEXAS SAR provides scholarships to five T.S.C.A.R. members in good standing in the T.S.C.A.R. for 2 years or more. Scholarships are offered to defray costs for books, tuition, room, and board while attending an accredited college or university. Scholarship winners will receive a letter of instructions from the Treasurer of the TEXAS SAR.

Eligibility: Contestants must be enrolled in an accredited High School (or equivalent program, including Home School) as a sophomore, junior, or senior student; or enrolled in an accredited college or university as a freshman student. There is a **four-year window of eligibility** for T.S.C.A.R. members to compete in the TEXAS SAR Essay Contests. Essay contestants can submit applications and enter contests each year, as long as they meet eligibility criteria.

Application: Eligible T.S.C.A.R. members are encouraged to complete the Essay Contest application found in the annually published T.S.C.A.R. Yearbook. The application, essay, school transcript, parents' permission, and letters of support must be submitted to the local TEXAS SAR Chapter located near the applicant's T.S.C.A.R. Society. The application must be received no later than January 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. If mailed, it should be post marked no later than January 15<sup>th</sup>. **Note that the applicant's Social Security number must be provided if the essay is selected for a monetary award.**

Process: Send completed applications to the local TEXAS SAR Chapter, Attention: C.A.R. Liaison Officer or Chapter President. The Sponsoring Chapter reviews it for content and grammar and selects the best essay of those received. One application per Chapter will be sent to the Chairman, TEXAS SAR C.A.R. Essay Contest for competition at the TEXAS SAR State level. It should postmarked no later than February 1st of each year.

Awards: Funding for awards is determined by the TEXAS SAR Patriots Fund Projects Committee during the Annual TEXAS SAR State Convention in March of each year preceding the contest year. The awards for the Essay Contest are \$2,500.00, \$750.00, \$500.00, \$300.00, and \$150.00 respectively for first thru 5th place winners.

Take time to fill out the scholarship application. Deserving members of T.S.C.A.R. who participate in the contest have a unique opportunity to not only receive help in college expenses, but also have the opportunity to learn through their research about American Revolutionary history. Scholarship winners will be announced at the TSCAR spring meeting.

**Deadline for application is January 15, 2017 (postmarked)**

## TEXAS SAR C.A.R. Essay Award Contest Rules

1. Applicant must be a member of the Texas Society Children of the American Revolution (T.S.C.A.R.) for **two (2) years or more**.
2. Applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above.
3. Applicant must be enrolled as a full time student, be in the **sophomore, junior, or senior year of high school or a full time student as a freshman** in an accredited college or university.
4. Applicant must provide copy of official transcript of most recent semester.
5. Applicant must complete the attached application form.
6. Applicant must submit letters of recommendation from:  
Teacher or Adult Leader of an organization in which the applicant has taken an active part, and anyone else the applicant so chooses.
7. Applicant must submit a typed and grammatically correct essay, 500 words (plus or minus 50 words) on the following topic:  

“WHO WAS ALEXANDER HAMILTON”
8. Applications must be **postmarked by January 15, 2017** and mailed to: The TEXAS SAR Chapter contact for the Chapter in the local area of the applicant’s C.A.R. Society.
9. Complete and mail the “Parental/Guardian Permission Release Form” with the application. This form can be found on the TEXAS SAR web site ([www.texassar.org](http://www.texassar.org)) under Youth Contests.
10. The Essay contest winners will be announced at the T.S.C.A.R. spring meeting.
11. TEXAS SAR Sponsoring Chapter will judge the application(s) and select the Winner to represent the Chapter in the State level competition. The Chapter contact should contact the winner and advise the applicant that the Essay was the 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner at the Chapter level and be invited to a Chapter meeting to be recognized. Chapter contact for the Essay Contest then submits the application to the Chairman, TEXAS SAR C.A.R. Essay Contest noted above no later than February 1, 2017.

Compatriot Ronald Carter, Chairman, TEXAS SAR C.A.R. Essay Contest

Judges are:

Compatriot Ricardo Ramirez, Committee Member  
Compatriot James Mitchell, Committee Member  
Compatriot William Covington, Committee Member

*The majority vote of the Judges will be final*

# TEXAS SAR C.A.R Scholarship Essay Award Contest Application

1. Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_  
(Note: Social Security number will be required if applicant wins a money award)  
SSN: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (C)
3. Applicant's T.S.C.A.R. Society: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Sponsoring TEXAS SAR Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Note - this is the TEXAS SAR Chapter nearest your C.A.R. Society)
5. Grade in School: \_\_\_\_\_
6. National C.A.R. Number: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Number of Years in T.S.C.A.R. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Offices and Positions held while in T.S.C.A.R.:

Local:	Year(s) position held
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
State:	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
National:	
_____	_____
_____	_____
9. School Information:  
Name of School \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
10. Overall Grade Point Avg. at end of last semester: \_\_\_\_\_ (enclose school transcript)
11. School/Club activities: (Use separate sheet if necessary)      Years Active

a.	_____	_____
	_____	_____
b.	_____	_____
	_____	_____

c. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. Community activities: (church, scouting, volunteer work, etc.)      Years Active.

a. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_

c. \_\_\_\_\_

13. Title of your Essay: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:**

- a. Attach a 500-word essay (plus or minus 50 words), with references and bibliography, on the selected topic "WHO WAS ALEXANDER HAMILTON".
- b. Completed Application form.
- c. Provide school transcript.
- d. Postmark the application no later than **January 15, 2017**
- e. Mail applications to:  
**TEXAS SAR Sponsoring Chapter, Attn: President or C.A.R. Liaison Officer,**  
**TEXAS SAR Chapter in applicants' local area**  
*(Note: Local Chapter information can be obtained at the TEXAS SAR web site at [www.texassar.org](http://www.texassar.org)), go to Chapter Info, then Contacts for Chapters.*
- f. Parents are asked to complete a "Parental Permission Form" to authorize posting the applicant's Essay to the TEXAS SAR web site.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***Deadline for application to the local chapter is January 15, 2017 (postmarked)***