



## NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY COMPETITION FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS.

Awarding \$2,000 college scholarships to 75 high school seniors nationwide.

We invite participants to write an original and creative essay based on the following quote:

**“ALONE, WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER, WE CAN DO SO MUCH.”** – Helen Keller



Contestants must be in good academic standing and on track to graduate in 2021. Essays are to be no fewer than 600 words and no more than 800 words in length. One entry per student please. **Essays must be received or postmarked no later than Friday, March 12, 2021.** For complete contest rules, entry forms, and further information, please inquire at

 [www.facebook.com/FabricofSocietyScholarship](https://www.facebook.com/FabricofSocietyScholarship).

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**E-mail submissions to:**  
[fabricofsociety@stifel.com](mailto:fabricofsociety@stifel.com)

**Or mail submission to:**  
Fabric of Society/Stifel  
515 South Figueroa Street, Suite 1800  
Los Angeles, California 90071

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# 2021 Scholarship Essay Contest

## Registration Form

Return this form by e-mail to: [fabricofsociety@stifel.com](mailto:fabricofsociety@stifel.com).

### Contestant

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the essay that I am submitting is my original work and that additional information may be requested if I am selected as a winner.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contestant signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Parent or guardian

I, \_\_\_\_\_, give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of parent or guardian Contestant name

to participate in the 2021 Fabric of Society Scholarship Essay Contest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or guardian signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### School official

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of school official Contestant name

is a student in good standing and is on track to graduate from the 12th grade in 2021, or was on track to graduate in 2021 and graduated early.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of school

\_\_\_\_\_  
School official signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Future Plans

After High School, my plans are:

\_\_\_\_\_





## Essay Release

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name), am submitting an essay to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated (Stifel), known as “The Firm,” for consideration in the 2021 Fabric of Society scholarship competition. If my essay is selected as a winning essay, I understand it will be published in the 2021 Fabric of Society book.

My signature, and the signature of a parent or guardian authorized to sign on my behalf, confirms that (1) The Firm has been granted a license to edit and publish my essay in the 2021 Fabric of Society book of winning essays, and (2) The Firm is authorized to make and distribute copies and/or reprints of the 2021 Fabric of Society book that includes my essay to any person of The Firm’s choosing and in any medium of The Firm’s choosing.

By signing below, any other individual(s) whose names and/or any public or private facts about that person are included in my essay hereby authorize The Firm to include such individuals’ names and/or any public or private facts about that person disclosed in my essay in the 2021 Fabric of Society book.

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

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Date

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Person(s) Named or Identified in Student’s Essay Signature

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## Official Rules

- 1) Each Entrant must be a student who is enrolled at one of the 50 high schools selected by Stifel to be a part of the program.
  - 2) Entrants must be on track to graduate in 2021. Essays must be from 600 to 800 words and must be e-mailed or postmarked by **Friday, March 12, 2021**. Students may submit only one entry.
  - 3) Contestants are encouraged to discuss the essay topic with teachers, parents, friends, and other mentors, but each contestant must write the essay himself or herself, in his or her own words.
  - 4) Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated (“The Firm”) will establish a panel of judges who will look for writing that is clear, articulate, and well organized. Essays will be judged on both style and content. Decisions made by the judges are final.
  - 5) If contestant is selected as a winner, additional information may be requested. The winning contestant will receive a one-time \$2,000 scholarship presented by The Firm on or before the end of summer of 2021.
  - 6) **Immediate family members of elected or appointed officials or employees of The Firm are not eligible for this contest.**
  - 7) All essays must be accompanied by:
    - Cover sheet including the contestant’s name, address, phone number, e-mail address, high school, and the name of a parent or guardian.
    - Registration form including:
      - Statement signed by the contestant that the essay submitted is the original work of the contestant.
      - Statement signed by the parent or guardian indicating that the parent or guardian approves of the contestant’s participation in the scholarship essay contest.
      - Statement by a school official confirming that the contestant is a student in good standing, on track to graduate from the 12th grade in 2021.
    - Release form signed by the student, parent or guardian, and person(s) named or identified in essay.
  - 8) **E-mail Submissions:** Essays should be attached as a single-spaced Microsoft Word document of the e-mail. E-mail your essay and accompanying forms to: [fabricofsociety@stifel.com](mailto:fabricofsociety@stifel.com).
- Mail Submissions:**  
Essays sent by U.S. mail or delivery service must be typewritten double-spaced. Include a word count with the essay. Send your entry to:  
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- Essays must be e-mailed or postmarked **by Friday, March 12, 2021**.
- 9) The selected schools will be eligible for the scholarship award for four consecutive school years.
  - 10) The Firm is not responsible for lost, late, misdirected, damaged, illegible, or incomplete submissions.
  - 11) By entering, you agree that your essay will become the property of The Firm and will not be returned. The Firm reserves the right to edit, print, and display the essays and photographs of the contest winners.