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To: Principals of Area Schools, (middle school and high school)  
From: Steve Udovich, VFW Post 2550  
Subject: Two great essay contests for students, \$300 or \$500 in Prize Money

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Dear Principal:

Please pass on the attached essay contest entry forms to the appropriate staff person at your school.

- We have sent you entry forms for either; (a) The Voice of Democracy Essay Contest for high school students, or (b) Patriot's Penn Essay Contest for middle school students.
- Please pass on these entry forms to the appropriate staff, (English teachers, etc.).
- Please encourage teachers to offer credit for participation in each essay contest.
- Local winners will receive \$500, (high school essay), or \$300, (middle school)
- This is a national contest, so winners at local / VFW Post level can be winners at the district, state and national levels of the VFW.
- Last year's national winners received \$30,000 and \$5,000 in prize money respectively, (a high school student from PA, and a middle school student from AZ).
- Extra copies of entry forms can be found at the VFW National website, [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org). I will also be sending your school additional copies in digital format, (I will send to front office staff or asst principal if secretarial staff are not listed). You may also duplicate these entry forms

**Deadline for all entries is 31 October 2019.**

Please contact me if you have questions: [beachmanok2002@gmail.com](mailto:beachmanok2002@gmail.com)

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