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**Essay Contest**

The Bartlesville Rotary Scholarship Essay contest offers students in the Bartlesville area (BPS, Dewey, Copan, Caney Valley, Wesleyan Christian School, and home-schooled students) an opportunity to stand out based upon their writing, creativity, research and knowledge of Rotary. In addition to submitting an approximately 500 word essay, EIGHT finalists will be asked to present a three to five minute speech based on their essay at a Rotary noon meeting. Students must be available to present their speech in order to qualify for the scholarship. Essays of high quality have the opportunity to receive a scholarship of $250 up to $1,000. Of particular importance for the essay will be originality, imagination, content as well as incorporation of one of the topics below.

The essay topics may include:

* Influence of the 4 Way test in the lives of those who practice this belief?
* What does “Service above Self” look like?
* What does Rotary do for the community? the state? the world?
* Why would I want to become a Rotarian?

The format must be as follows:

* MLA Format (Times New Roman 12 pt. font, double spaced, 1 inch margins)
* Students must use proper citations and references

The deadline for entries must be sent before June 30 to:

Bartlesville Rotary Club

P.O. Box 881

Bartlesville OK 74005

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**District 2476**

**Scholarship Essay Contest**

**2019-2020**

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(*Must be junior year of application)*

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

Student’s Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Cell Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ALL CONTESTANTS MUST BE AVAILABLE TO SPEAK AT THE NOON ROTARY IN ORDER TO ENTER THE CLUB CONTEST.

( ) If selected as a finalist (one of the “Final Eight” in the Noon Rotary Essay Contest, I will be available to speak during one of the Monday luncheons in months September through April. These luncheons are from noon to 1 p.m.

( ) I agree to abide by the rules of the Rotary District 2476 Essay Contest and to create an original essay. Note: Rules and information can be found on the District 2476 website at [www.bartlesvillerotary.org](http://www.bartlesvillerotary.org) and follow the link <http://bartlesvillerotary.org/rotary-student-essay-contest/>.

( ) I declare that the research and work on this speech are mine and mine alone and where resources have been used, I will provide proper references and credits.

( ) I understand that Rotary Club 2476 may video or photograph my speech in whole or in part and use it for PR purposes or to promote future contests within Rotary.

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