

AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION -- TEXAS
EARLE NORTH PARKER ESSAY CONTEST
School Year 2006-2007 Entry Form

Name of Participant: _____
(Please print - First - Middle - Last)

Address: _____
(Please print - Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Home Telephone: () _____

School: _____

Parent / Guardian Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

ESSAY TOPIC - Define and support your position on the following topic:

How Can the U.S. Air Force Contribute to Border Security?

CONTEST RULES:

- Participants must be a senior in a State of Texas High School.
- Essays must pertain to the Essay Topic shown above.
- Essays must consist of not more than 600 or less than 500 words. Exceeding the word limits by more than 5% will disqualify the entry.
- All words including "I", "A", and "a" will count toward the word limit.
- Reference material will not be included in the essay.
- Essays must be typed, double-spaced, on 8 ½ x 11 inch white paper.
- Participant's name will be typed in the upper right corner of each page of the essay, submitted as part of the contest entry. Pages must be numbered sequentially, at the bottom of each page.
- Essay topic must be typed, centered at the top of page one of the essay, two spaces above the first line of the first paragraph. Any other heading will disqualify the entry.
- All information required on this form (above) and signature below must be provided.
- **Contest entry form and the essay must be postmarked by December 15, 2006.**

Return entry form and essay in hard copy and on a floppy disk (if prepared on a computer) to:

**Yvette Bricker
11124 Hausman Rd South
San Antonio TX 78249-3807**

All participants must sign below:

The participant above named, hereby grants permission to the Air Force Association – Texas to publish in any publication of its choice any essay and related materials or information that he or she may submit as an entry in the AFA – Texas, Earle North Parker Essay Contest.

Date: _____ Signature of participant: _____


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November 8, 2006

Dear Senior Class Counselor,

Once again the Air Force Association of Texas will sponsor an essay contest with monetary awards given in memory of Earle North Parker, a noted industrialist of Ft. Worth. The statewide winners will receive a total of \$2000 in awards.

The Air Force Association is an independent, **non-profit** civilian organization promoting understanding of **aerospace** power and the pivotal role it plays in the security of the nation.

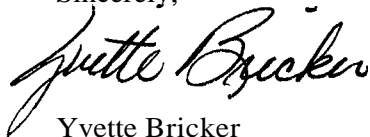
The essay topic for this year's contest is "How Can the U.S. Air Force Contribute to Border Security?"

All Texas high school seniors are eligible to participate in this essay contest. Each essay should be limited to a minimum of 500 words and a maximum of 600 words. Deadline for submission of the essay, accompanied by the completed Contest Entry Form, is December 15, 2006.

After all entries are received, the Alamo Chapter will select our chapter winner, who will receive \$250. Our winning entry will then be forwarded for state competition with the winning entry from each of the 15 Air Force Association Chapters across the state to compete for the \$2000 in awards. The three awards are \$1000 for First Place; \$600 for Second Place; and \$400 for Third Place. The winners will be determined and announced in March 2007.

Please help me reach as many of your seniors as possible. I am attaching a sample Contest Entry Form. Please reproduce this form in numbers to accommodate your participants. This form, appropriately completed, must accompany each contestant's essay. If you or your seniors wish to discuss the contest in more detail, please, by all means, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Yvette Bricker
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