**High School Essay Contest**
**2015 - 2016**
**Regions of Florida**

- Each region will be awarded a first place ($250) and a second-place ($100) cash prize.
- The State Finalist will be awarded an additional cash prize ($250) and will be eligible to compete at the national level.

**Essay Contest—Regions of Florida**

1. **North:** Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, Bay, Jackson, Calhoun, Gulf, Gadsden, Liberty, Franklin, Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison, Hamilton, Columbia, Baker, Nassau, Duval, Clay, St. Johns.
2. **Northwest Central:** Taylor, Suwannee, Lafayette, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, Alachua, Bradford, Union, Putnam, Flagler, Marion, Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco.
3. **Northeast Central:** Volusia, Lake, Seminole.
4. **West Central:** Hillsborough, Pinellas, Manattee, Sarasota, Charlotte.
5. **Central:** Polk, Hardee, De Soto, Highlands, Glades.
6. **East Central:** Orange, Osceola, Brevard, Indian River, Okeechobee, St. Lucie, Martin.
7. **Southwest:** Lee, Hendry, Collier, Monroe.
8. **Southeast:** Palm Beach, Broward, Miami Dade.

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