

Scholarship Contest

2020 Religious Liberty Essay Scholarship Contest

Open to all high school juniors and seniors

GRAND PRIZE: \$2,000 scholarship and trip to Washington, D.C.

SECOND PRIZE: \$1,000 scholarship

THIRD PRIZE: \$500 scholarship



2020 TOPIC:

Several state legislators have introduced bills requiring “In God We Trust” to be displayed prominently in public elementary and secondary schools. These bills encourage placement of the motto in high traffic areas, such as cafeterias and libraries.

Write an essay in the form of a letter to your state representative, encouraging them to adopt or oppose legislation mandating the prominent placement of “In God We Trust” in public schools. Your essay should support your stance, explain whether the proposal violates the Religion Clauses of the First Amendment, and show how such legislation would impact all students and faculty, both religious and nonreligious.

TO ENTER:

You must mail your essay (between 800-1,200 words), the registration form and the essay adviser form to BJC, postmarked by **March 6, 2020**.

The contest is open to all high school students in the graduating classes of 2020 and 2021.

For entry forms and additional details, visit
BJCOnline.org/contest