



ROTARY DISTRICT 7730

essay contest

Submissions Due:

15 March 2024

The 4-Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a guide used by Rotarians world-wide as a moral code for personal and business relationships. It has been translated into more than 100 languages. Rotary clubs recite it at their meetings, and can be applied to almost every aspect of life.

Rotary is a global network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

Learn more about Rotary International at www.rotary.org, and what your local Rotary clubs in the district are doing in their communities at www.rotary7730.org.

Writing Prompt: The 4-Way Test - What it means to me.

The 4-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the **TRUTH**?
- Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

The District will award the following:

- 1st place winner received \$500
Student's teacher will receive \$500.
- 2nd place receives \$300.
- 3rd place receives \$200.

All three winners will be recognized by Rotary District 7730 at the District Conference being held April 19-20 at the Hotel Ballast in Wilmington, NC.

Additionally, your local club may make awards to winning essays in your areas.

Your local club is:

Your club contact is:

Your club will award the following:

Essay Contest Rules:

Eligibility: 7th & 8th Grade Students.

Format: The essay should be typed, double spaced, in 12-point font (Arial or Times New Roman are preferred), with 1" margins. Do not insert identifying information such as a name or school on any sheet except the cover sheet. Do not insert graphics.

Essay Length: The essay must not exceed 750 words in length.

Cover Sheet: A cover sheet must be attached to each essay. The form is available on our website under the 4-Way Test Essay Contest tab at www.Rotary7730.org/4WayTest.php.

Original Work: The essay MUST BE ORIGINAL WORK of the student submitting the essay for competition. They MUST adhere to ALL RULES or the essay will not be accepted for review.

The following **ARE NOT PERMITTED:**

- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Team writing
- Parental participation
- Use of works written by other sources, *even if foot-noted*

Participating students will sign a pledge on the Cover Sheet stating that the essay is their original work.

Submission: Students must submit essays directly to their sponsor club for the first round of competition no later than **March 15th**.



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“THE 4-WAY TEST - WHAT IT MEANS TO ME”

This cover sheet must be attached to each essay and submitted by **March 15, 2024**

Name

Student's Teacher

Student's School

Student's Home Mailing Address

Authorized E-mail (may be student or parent/guardian)

Student's Home Telephone Number

I declare that I have adhered to the essay contest rules, and that this essay is my own original work, and its ideas are mine and mine and mine alone. I understand that the _____ and Rotary District 7730

may publish this essay in whole or in part and I consent to their so doing. I further release the use of my image and name in any publicity and marketing materials relating to this contest which are developed and published by the Rotary Club or District 7730. There are no more than 750 words in this essay.

Student Signature

Parent Name (Print)

Date

Parent Signature

Submit Essay and Cover Sheet to: