2019 ESSAY CONTEST

Mayor’s 4th of July Essay Contest for Coastal Bend 5th - 7th Graders

The Corpus Christi Mayor’s 4th of July Big Bang Celebration is hosting an essay contest for 5th through 7th graders. Each student that submits an essay will receive 2 tickets to a Corpus Christi Hooks games.

The winner must attend a City Council meeting in June where he or she will read a portion of the essay, receive recognition, and an award. The winner must be available and willing to participate in the Mayor’s Fourth of July Parade. The winner will also receive a Kindle Fire HD donated by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Corpus Christi Chapter and will attend a special luncheon with the DAR chapter in September 2019.

The second-place winner will receive a membership for two (winner and one parent) to the Texas State Aquarium. The third-place winner will receive a one-year family membership for the Lexington Museum on the Bay.

Below are the essay requirements:

**Essay Prompt:** Reflecting on the history and deeper meaning of the Fourth of July is important. It is also fun to remember the wonderful ways our nation celebrates.

*What does the 4th of July mean to you?*

**Length Requirements:** 600–1,000 words

**Cover Page Should Include:** Full name, school, grade, teacher’s contact information, student, and parent contact information (including email address, street address and phone number).

**Final Essay Due:** Friday, June 7, 2019

Essays submitted by email should be in Word or PDF format (preferred) to FourthofJuly@cctexas.com Attn: Connie Paddock, Patriotism and Education Chairperson. Mailed submissions can be sent to the Mayor’s Office at 1201 Leopard St., Corpus Christi, TX 78401.

For more information, please contact the Mayor’s Office at 826-3100, or by email at FourthofJuly@cctexas.com