

Pueblo Home of Heroes Association

4TH & 5TH GRADE ESSAY CONTEST

2026

STUDENT ENTRY FORM

The Pueblo Home of Heroes Association is proud to announce it's 18th annual essay contest for students in grades 4 and 5.

To prepare for this year's contest, we ask teachers to first engage their students in a discussion about the importance of the Declaration of Independence as the first formal statement to England that the American Colonies will no longer accept the rule of King George III and the British Government.

Using your classroom discussion as a foundation, students should submit an essay answering the following question:

"George Washington was an important part of the American Revolution. What were his major contributions up to, during, and after our war of independence?"



GUIDELINES

Essay length:

- 300-500 words

Format: One copy of entry with entry form stapled in top, left-hand corner. **All entries must be typed.**

JUDGING

Pueblo Home of the Heroes Association Judging Committee will award first, second, and third place.

PRIZES

Winners will receive a booklet of the winning entries, a certificate of achievement and a cash prize!

1st Place - \$100, 2nd Place - \$75, 3rd Place - \$50

DEADLINE TO ENTER: FEB. 27, 2026

How to submit entries: Drop off at any library location, submit online or mail to:

Pueblo City-County Library District
Attn: Community Relations
100 E. Abriendo Ave.
Pueblo, CO 81004

www.pueblolibrary.org/contests

For more information, contact Paulette Stuart at (719) 544-2435 or jamesstuart12@outlook.com

**Deadline to enter:
Feb. 27, 2026**

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This **COMPLETED** form **MUST** accompany the entry. All information is required so winners can be notified.

GRADE: 4 5

STUDENT NAME: _____ AGE: _____ HOME PHONE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

SCHOOL NAME: _____ TEACHER NAME: _____

SCHOOL PHONE: _____ Entry contains _____ words. Number of pages: _____