



## 1<sup>ST</sup> 2008 VETERANS DAY STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

**Sponsored by: *The Filipino American Veterans Society, Inc., Jacksonville, FL***

### CONTEST RULES

***DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2008***

The **Filipino American Veterans Society** is sponsoring its first annual Veterans Day Essay Contest to encourage 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders to learn more about the heroism and importance of servicemen and women throughout our nation's history.

**TO BE ELIGIBLE Essay Contest candidates must:**

- Be a dependent child of an Active Duty, Reservist or Retiree of the U. S. Armed Forces
- Be in grades 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> and City of Jacksonville student for academic year 2008-2009
- Limit one entry per student
- Write an original essay entitled: **“WHAT VETERANS DAY MEANS TO ME?”**
- Limit the essay to 400 - 500 words and must be typed and double spaced, two pages maximum.
- Mail the completed entry form with an original essay to:

**Mail to:** Mrs. Del Papel (FAVS Secretary)  
10335 Ripple Rush Drive W.  
Jacksonville, FL 32257

**Entries will be judged by a panel of FAVS members. JUDGING CRITERIA to be considered for all entries:**

- Power of the Message of the Essay
- Clarity of Thought
- Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- Overall Comprehension of the Topic

**The Contest Winner will be awarded:**

- Be honored at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Ball and his/her winning entry displayed in the Souvenir Program and FAVS website.
- Receive a \$500.00 EE Savings Bond
- Receive a Certificate of Award from The Filipino American Veterans Society.
- Join FAVS and ride with guests in the Annual City of Jacksonville Veterans Day Parade on Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CONTEST? Call (904) 993-4759 / [www.filamvetsociety.com](http://www.filamvetsociety.com)**

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**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

**► Essay entitled “WHAT VETERANS DAY MEANS TO ME?”**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR FULL NAME IS LISTED AT TOP OF ESSAY**  
**(Please Print All Information)**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ City / State of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Service Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attached is my essay titled, “WHAT VETERANS DAY MEANS TO ME?”**

I sincerely thank your organization for the opportunity to have my essay considered by the ***Filipino American Veterans Society, Inc., Jacksonville, FL*** Contest Judges. I am personally responsible for the content of my original essay. I understand that my essay will not be returned to me and that I will be notified only if I am the selected winner.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Entrant /Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian  
(Only if under 18 years of age)

**► This Entry Form must be submitted with your Original Essay via Mail:**

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**For internal FAVS use only:**

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Reviewed: \_\_\_\_\_ Control Number: \_\_\_\_\_-2008

Board Judges Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Approved: \_\_\_\_\_