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Brothers,

The following message addresses the "Essay Contest". There are in reality two essay contests running concurrently, the California State Contest and the Supreme Contest. While the judging criteria for both contests are the same the specifics are different.

***The Supreme Contest:***

The contest is open only to Catholic students graduating from the 8<sup>th</sup> or the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The essay is to be 500 to 700 words in length addressing the topic "The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society." You may order the kit from the order at [www.kofc.org/forms](http://www.kofc.org/forms) or use the order form in the Council Report Booklet (#1436) or call 206-752-4044.

***The State Contest:***

Open to all Catholic youth in grades 4 through 12 who are enrolled in either a Catholic School or a Catholic Religious Education Program. The youth are divided into 3 age groups:

Group A      4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Topic *"What role does God play in my life?"*

Group B      7<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Topic *"How does Jesus influence my life?"*

Group C      9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Topic *"If you have a conversation with Jesus what would you talk about?"*

The essay is to be 250 to 500 words in length. All submissions **MUST** be accompanied by a **California State Essay Form** signed by their parent or guardian. The form is available on our website under the essay contest.

**The State Essay Contest's in-depth message/rules from State Chairman Roy Bacho is posted on the Northern California Chapter's Website. But be aware that the questions have been changed to the ones listed above.**

Let's really get this contest to the head of the line. What a great way to contact Catholic youth, future Knights, and their fathers (potential new Knights). Any questions? Please contact me at [clarkkingdom@surewest.net](mailto:clarkkingdom@surewest.net).

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