



**Second Annual  
Teen Leadership Institute (TLI)  
Scholarship Essay Contest 2002**

**RULES**

The student will prepare an essay on the topic, "**What America Means to Me**"  
The essay should be typed/word processed, between 750-1000 words, and submitted to:

**Thirteen/WNET New York  
Teen Leadership Scholarship Essay Contest  
450 W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, NY 10001-2605**

Entries will be reviewed by a panel of judges comprised of Thirteen TLI staff, advisory board members and representatives from partnering organizations such as Phillips-Van Heusen and The Korean-American Youth Foundation.

Entries will be judged on depth and presentation of perspective, creativity, originality, and acceptable use of proper mechanics such as grammar and spelling. All judges' decisions are final.

Entries must be received by **Friday, September 27, 2002**. Winners will be notified in November, 2002.

The essay contest is open to all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students (as of March 2002) attending a school that participated in the 2002 TLI Conference. All essays must be accompanied by an official entry form (see attached). Parental permission and a faculty sponsor are required.

Entries will not be returned.

**PRIZES**

Three prize winners and two honorable mentions will be selected. Each of the three top prize winners will receive a financial scholarship award which may be used exclusively towards their college tuition. The three winners will be awarded the following prizes:

- **First prize:**                      **\$2,500**
- **Second Prize:**                    **\$1,500**
- **Third Prize:**                      **\$1,000**

All five essays will be published on Thirteen's Teen Leadership web-site and will remain on-line for approximately one year.

**SPONSOR**

The Korean-American Youth Foundation.



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STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

FACULTY SPONSOR (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION**

I am giving my child permission to participate in Thirteen's Scholarship Essay Contest. I understand that his/her work will become the joint property of Thirteen/WNET New York and my child. I also understand that my child's name (and photograph, if submitted) may be used in publications, such as Thirteen Online, etc. as part of Thirteen's and TLI's promotional initiatives.

PARENT/GUARDIAN (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN (signature) \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

(First Prize \$2,500. Second Prize \$1,500. Third Prize \$1,000.)

**NOTE:** Scholarship checks will be made payable to the institution of higher learning specified by the winner.

**DEADLINE: Friday, September 27<sup>st</sup> 2002**  
*Students must be/have been in 11<sup>th</sup> Grade as of March 2002.*