



September 2017

Dear Teacher,

West Virginia Teens for Life is sponsoring a Pro-Life Essay Contest for students from grades 7 through 12. The essay should address the question: Why are you pro-life?

While each essay contestant will receive a gift of participation, the top three winners in each category (Junior Contest - grades 7 through 9, and Senior Contest - grades 10 through 12) will win cash prizes.

First Place - \$200
Second Place - \$150
Third Place - \$100

The winning essays from each contest will be printed in the West Virginians for Life quarterly newspaper, *Life Matters*. The first place winners of the Essay Contest will be invited to read their essays at the West Virginians for Life Rally scheduled for Monday, February 5th, at the Lower Rotunda of the State Capitol.

We would appreciate if you could do one of the following:

- Assign the essay as a class project and encourage students to send in their essays.
- Have an essay contest in your class and encourage students to send in their essays.
- Include the essay contest as an option for an extra-credit class project.
- Give the students the information so they may write and submit an essay.

Please use the guidelines included for essays being submitted to the contest.

Sincerely, for life,
Maria Deely
WVTFL President

P.S. Please join us for the Teens for Life Camp at Horizons Church in Lost Creek on October 21st. See flyer enclosed.