

## LEADAMERICA ESSAY CONTEST

### Essay Guidelines:

This contest invites students to write an essay of not more than 2,000 words (supplemented with a bibliography) on Historical Leadership. Using an event from the past students should write about how the leadership by a person or a group of people contributed to the development of society, and what today's leaders and citizens can learn from this.

Students should feel free to explore any time period and a person or a group from any place in the world. A few examples are: Presidents (foreign leaders), Explorers, Inventors, Civil Rights Leaders, Doctors, Army Generals, Sports Figures, etc.

Entries may be submitted in one or more of the following forms: 1) Microsoft Word document or 2) PDF document. All entries must be received by **April 1, 2010** and can be emailed to Bob Nasson at [mnasson@nationalhistoryclub.org](mailto:mnasson@nationalhistoryclub.org) (please type "Lead America" in the subject line).

### Prizes:

1<sup>st</sup> prize: A full scholarship to attend *LeadAmerica's National Leadership Summit* at Georgetown or John Hopkins Universities in Washington, DC or Baltimore, MD (a \$2499 value)

2<sup>nd</sup> prize: A \$1000 scholarship towards attendance at *LeadAmerica's National Leadership Summit*

10 Honorable Mentions: A copy of the book, *Letters from Leaders*, provided by *LeadAmerica*

\*\*\* Winning essays will be featured on both the NHC's and *LeadAmerica's* websites. \*\*\*

\*\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners will be featured in the NHC Spring eNewsletter \*\*\*

The *National Leadership Summit*, hosted by *LeadAmerica*, provides high achieving students with the opportunity to build real world career skills and analyze leadership attributes within the environment of our nation's capital. For ten days, students participate in leadership case studies on individuals like George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, while debating current policy initiatives confronting the United States such as Health Care, National Security and the Environment through the *National Leadership Summit* campaign simulation. In addition to exploring policy, students practice skills central to future success such as coalition and platform building, networking, public speaking, conflict resolution and communication, while also visiting sites like Capitol Hill, Mount Vernon and the Smithsonian Museums. Students also complete *LeadAmerica's* leadership curriculum through engaging activities and a ropes challenge course, which foster necessary skills such as teambuilding, time management and culminate in the formulation of a personal mission and vision statement.

To learn more about *LeadAmerica* and the *National Leadership Summit*, please visit [http://www.lead-america.org/conferences/nls/nls\\_hs.asp](http://www.lead-america.org/conferences/nls/nls_hs.asp) or contact an Admissions Counselor at 866.FYI.LEAD.