

# The First Annual Essay Writing Contest from The Immigrant Learning Center®

## 2022 Essay Topic: How Malden Benefits from Immigration

### Cash Prizes

**1st place:** \$500

**2nd place:** \$300

**3rd place:** \$200

First through third place and honorable mentions will be published on The Immigrant Learning Center's website.

### Eligibility and Rules

- Open to all students at Malden High School
- Essay word count: Maximum 1,000 words
- Must be an original piece of writing
- All entries must be sponsored by a high school teacher, parent, guardian or other adult. The sponsoring adult will be the primary point of contact.
- Essay must be in English. English learners are encouraged to apply.
- There is no entry fee.
- One entry per person

### How to Enter

The deadline for submissions is:

**Monday, May 9, 2022 at 6:00 PM.**

Submit your essay online at:

**[www.ilctr.org/essaycontest](http://www.ilctr.org/essaycontest)**

### Essay Ideas

(other directions are also welcomed!)

- Historical essays
- Interviews with U.S. and foreign-born Malden community members
- Personal narratives
- Your family's immigration story

### Evaluation Guidelines

- Submissions will be evaluated on content, presentation, creativity and message.
- Submissions are not judged solely on English proficiency.
- Submissions by multilingual learners are encouraged.

**Winners will be notified the week of May 23, 2022.**



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Learning Center**

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