

CITIZENS FOR NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY AWARENESS

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2020 CNTA High School Essay Contest Now Accepting Applications

The 2020 Citizens for Nuclear Technology Awareness Essay Contest is officially underway! This is the 14th year CNTA has provided an opportunity for students to qualify to earn \$1,000 toward their future education while also winning \$500 for their school for educational science activities. Over the course of this contest CNTA has awarded almost \$50,000 to area high school students. This year the 1,000-to-1,500-word essay submissions need to be on one of the following topics:

- Discuss the difference between nuclear radiation and contamination and their impacts on society.
- Discuss how electricity generated from nuclear power versus fossil fuels can impact global warming.
- Discuss the use of nuclear technology in space exploration (past, present, and future).

This essay contest is open to high school juniors and seniors in Aiken, Allendale, and Barnwell counties in South Carolina or Burke, Columbia, and Richmond counties in Georgia. The contest is also open to high school juniors and seniors of CNTA members, regardless of their county of enrollment.

Successful essays require students to integrate science, technology, social understanding and language arts. Researching a technical topic, relating the information to society, and effectively communicating the information in writing are great skills for any high school student to practice and demonstrate.

February 28, 2020, is the deadline to submit essays.

Contest winners and a guest of their choice are invited to attend and be recognized at the 29th Annual Edward Teller Banquet in the fall of 2020.

“The goal of the CNTA Essay Contest is to promote a better understanding of nuclear technology among high school students,” said Jim Marra, CNTA Executive Director. “It also provides an incentive for the development of written communication skills that are vital to continued success in education and in the workforce.”

The essay content flyer, rules, and entry form are available on CNTA’s website at: <https://cntaware.org/high-school-essay-contest/>. For additional information, contact Jim Marra at cnta@bellsouth.net or (803) 649-3456.

CNTA is an Aiken-based charitable educational organization dedicated to providing factual information about nuclear topics and educating the public on nuclear issues. For further information, call CNTA at 803-649-3456 or e-mail at cnta@bellsouth.net.