



Attention: Principals / Teachers / Parents / Students

The Scottsboro Civitan Club is doing its best to contact every school in Jackson and Dekalb County to encourage students to participate in this year's Civitan essay contest. The topic of this year's essay contest is DISTRACTED DRIVING. All essays must be postmarked by January 1<sup>st</sup> for judging at the local level before advancing the 1<sup>st</sup> place essays to our District. Our District area, Alabama North District, includes over 20 counties and it would be exciting to have someone from our hometown to win our District.

E-mail any questions to [scottsborocivitan@gmail.com](mailto:scottsborocivitan@gmail.com).

I have attached information about the essay contest and the rules and required format. Your support is appreciated.

Happy Holidays



# ***Scottsboro Civitan Club***

## **ESSAY CONTEST**

***Topic: HOW CAN I EDUCATE MY SCHOOL, COMMUNITY, AND  
FAMILY IN THE DANGERS OF DISTRACTED DRIVING***

Entries must be received no later than January 1, 2018

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CONTACT: [scottsborocivitan@gmail.com](mailto:scottsborocivitan@gmail.com) for contest rules and instructions.

Jackson County and Dekalb County students.

Middle School Division: (grades 6 – 8)

High School Division: (grades 9 – 12)

Prizes will be award for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each division. Each 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will receive a KINDLE FIRE. First place essays of each division will be forwarded to the Alabama North District Civitan for District judging. District prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> (\$100.00), 2<sup>nd</sup> (\$75.00) & 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$50.00) winners.



Alabama District North Civitan  
Essay Contest  
2017 – 2018



In observance of the 2017-2018 Civitan theme “KINDLE YOUR FIRE”, this year’s essay contest theme is:

**“HOW CAN I KINDLE MY FIRE TO EDUCATE MY SCHOOL, COMMUNITY,  
AND FAMILY IN THE DANGERS OF DISTRACTED DRIVING”**

Essay entries are to be submitted to the Scottsboro Civitan Club no later than January 1, 2018 for local judging.

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With the help and support of the Jackson County Sheriff’s Dept. and Unclaimed Baggage Center, the first place essays of each division will be awarded a Kindle Fire and then will be forwarded on to the Alabama District North Civitans for District judging.

District Awards

First Place:	\$100.00	(one winner in each division)
Second Place:	\$75.00	(one winner in each division)
Third Place:	\$50	(one winner in each division)

The winners of the District Essay Contest will be asked to read their essays at the Alabama District North Civitan’s winter meeting on January 27, 2018.

**CONTEST RULES**

1. Each essay should have a cover page with:
  - A. The student’s
    - Name:
    - Grade:
    - School:
    - Contact information (teacher or counselor name):
    - The sponsoring Civitan Club (Scottsboro Civitan Club):
  - B. Title to the essay
2. The essay should be typed, double-spaced and one inch margins or hand written in black ink.
3. Essay should be in first person.



## BODY OF ESSAY MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS (GRADES 6-8)

### **FIVE PARAGRAPHS**

Paragraph 1: Introduction using 4-7 complete sentences, state what the essay is about.

Paragraph 2: Using 4-7 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your school in the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 3: Using 4-7 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your community on the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 4: Using 4-7 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your family on the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 5: Conclusion, using 4-7 complete sentences, summarize the essay restating main points.

## BODY OF ESSAY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS (GRADES 9-12)

### **FIVE PARAGRAPHS**

Paragraph 1: Introduction using 5-9 complete sentences, state what the essay is about.

Paragraph 2: Using 5-9 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your school on the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 3: Using 5-9 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your community about the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 4: Using 5-9 complete sentences, state and discuss how "You can educate your family about the dangers of distracted driving".

Paragraph 5: Conclusion, using 5-9 complete sentences, summarize the essay restating main points.

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Thank you for your support.  
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