



Houston Money Week 2020

Middle School and High School

Student Essay Contest

Fill out this form, making sure to include all information requested, sign the form as indicated, and attach it to the front of the essay.

NAME _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____

SCHOOL / TEACHER INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TEACHER NAME _____

I VOUCH THAT THE ATTACHED ESSAY IS FULLY THE WORK OF _____
(STUDENT NAME)

(TEACHER SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

I VOUCH THAT THE ATTACHED ESSAY IS FULLY AND SOLELY THE WORK OF MY CHILD. I GIVE PERMISSION FOR HIM/HER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES OF HOUSTON MONEY WEEK 2019, INCLUDING CONSENT TO RELEASE PHOTOS AND PERSONAL INFORMATION FOR MEDIA AND PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

Entries must be submitted by Tuesday, March 24, 2020.



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In 500 words or less, please discuss the following:

What does financial stability mean to you? Why is it important? What are some steps that you can take now to ensure your own financial stability in the future?

Prizes

- **High School – First Place: \$1,500, Second Place: \$1,000, Third Place: \$500**
- **Middle School – First Place: \$500**

Participants must be:

- A student in grades 6-12 who lives in the greater Houston area.
- Have knowledge of money management skills (decision-making related to spending and saving, investing, use of credit, etc.) appropriate for their age and grade level.
- Demonstrate how they practice good money management skills in their daily lives.

To Enter:

- Students must complete the entire application including teacher and parent information and signatures.
- Students must write an essay (500 words or less) on the assigned topic.
- Essays should be typed on plain white paper, double-spaced.
- The Houston Money Week Essay Contest Application should be attached to the essay pages.
- The essay must be the work of the student submitting the essay.
- The essay and application must be mailed to:

**Houston Money Week
PO Box 222
Houston, TX 77001**

Application Postmark Deadline: Tuesday, March 24, 2020

CONTEST JUDGING:

All essays become the property of Houston Money Week and may be used by Houston Money Week to promote financial education. All essays must meet the contest entry guidelines described above. Decisions of the judges are final in all matters relating to this contest. Contest judging determinations are at the sole and absolute discretion of the judges, and such decisions and determinations are not subject to further review or appeal by contestants. Because of the unique nature and scope of the contest, Houston Money Week cannot accurately predict the number of contestants who will participate in the Contest. Also, the Houston Money Week Team cannot individually confirm receipt of all essays.

Individual winners will be notified. Please check www.HoustonMoneyWeek.org after April 18, 2020 for a complete list of Essay Contest Winners.

Winners of the contest will be contacted via email, mail or phone. All winners will be posted on the official Houston Money Week website and social media pages. Winners will be announced at the Houston Money Week Partner Kick-Off Reception. Information regarding scores awarded by judges will not be available.