As the oldest Supreme Court in the nation, dating back to 1722, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court has been at the forefront of some of Pennsylvania’s most important historical moments.

As the Court prepares to celebrate its 300th anniversary, students in grades 3 through 12 are invited to join in recognizing the impact and importance of the Court by participating in an essay contest.

The Court, along with the Supreme Court 300th Celebration Committee, look forward to hearing from students all across Pennsylvania about how they view the work and role of the Court throughout its history.

**QUESTION (GRADES 3-5)**
**Why is the Pennsylvania Supreme Court important?**

**QUESTION (GRADES 6-12)**
**Which Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice inspires you and why?**

**CONTEST RULES**

There is no entry fee.

Contest is open to all students including those in public, private, charter, cyber-charter or home school.

Essays will be judged by Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justices and members of the Supreme Court 300th Celebration Committee.

Essays will be judged on creativity, overall quality and adherence to the theme/question.

Winners will be announced and recognized by the Court during its 300th anniversary celebration in May.

**SUBMIT ENTRIES**

**Submit by mail to**
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c/o Stacey Witalc
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Harrisburg, Pa 17106

If submitting by mail or email, please include the following on separate piece of paper:
- full name, school name, city, state, phone number, email (if applicable),
- teacher name and teacher email (if applicable).

**Submit by email to**
CommunicationsOffice@pacourts.us

Deadline for entries is May 6, 2022