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# Michigan Constitutional Scholarship Competition

## **Eligibility:**

The competition is open to **ALL Michigan students between the ages of 10 and 17** Entries must be received between Nov 1, 2009 and Dec 1, 2009

### **Purpose:**

To provide a means for students to become more aware of our history and the value of our constitution through discussion and research.

## Awards:

The top FIVE finalists will receive \$100.00 each With an additional \$50 possibility for classroom discussion. (optional)

## **Rules:**

1. Write a brief essay describing what part of our constitution and/or its amendments is most important and why. Feel free to use historic reference, and quotes by our founding fathers to support your thesis. It need only be long enough for you to present your argument, but no limit on word count will be set.

- 2. Spell Check, and use standard sentence and paragraph structure in English.
- **3.** Use the following format for submission:

[DATE] [YOUR NAME] [ADDRESS FOR PAYMENT] [YOUR AGE] (do not send birth date)

[SUBJECT] (one line briefly describing which section or amendment you will argue for)

[ARGUMENT, CONCLUSIONS...] (state your case..)

Respectfully, [YOUR NAME]

### (OPTIONAL for BONUS AWARD)

"I have discussed this in class with my teacher [TEACHER NAME and VERIFICATION CONTACT INFO] and other students."

4. Submit by email to MCSC@ICUNET.NET or by standard postal to:

### ICU MCSC PO Box 5449 Traverse City, MI 49696

Submissions will be coded, and given to independent judges with no names for fairness. Accuracy and overall theme will be considered, with a slight consideration for age. Use of specific historical persons or events as references is not mandatory, but will enhance your possibilities through the judging process. Opinion backed up by fact is particularly helpful.

Awards will be distributed by December 20, 2009.

