

2019

PARC Scholarship Essay Contest

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS TO TOTAL \$2500
ENTRY DEADLINE IS MARCH 5, 2019**

ESSAY TOPIC:

Students may enter the PARC 2019 Essay Scholarship Contest by submitting an original essay of 500 words or less describing their response to the following question about the North and Middle Fork American River canyons located upstream of Folsom Reservoir, in the Auburn State Recreation Area:

Why are the American River and its Canyons important to me and my community, and what can my generation do to protect the canyons' natural habitat while improving recreational opportunities?

ESSAY CONTEST RULES:

- Contestants must be high school seniors, and residents of Placer, Nevada or El Dorado County, but may attend school in another county
- Essays must be sent by US mail to: PARC, P.O. Box 9312, Auburn CA 95604
- A completed entry form, available on PARC website, must be included with essay
- Essays must be typed and spaced to fit on one page
- Contestants must write an original essay, in their own words
- Deadline for essay to be mailed is **March 5, 2019**

SELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS:

- Essays will be judged based on originality, response to topic question, and overall impact.
- The winners may be invited to read their essays at a PARC meeting and/or a local radio station.
- The top five winners will each receive a \$500 scholarship which may be applied toward any education-related expenses.

SPONSORED BY PROTECT AMERICAN RIVER CANYONS

Protect American River Canyons (PARC) is a river education and conservation organization dedicated to the protection of the natural, recreational, cultural and historical resources of the North and Middle Forks of the American River and its canyons. PARC is very active in the community, sponsoring a variety of social, river service and educational events each year. PARC remains vigilant to the various threats to the river canyons. PARC is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. **WWW.PARC-AUBURN.ORG**



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ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

School: _____

How did you learn about the essay contest? _____

I certify that the essay that I am submitting to the 2019 PARC Scholarship essay contest is my own original work.

contestant signature

I, _____, give my permission for _____
name of parent or guardian *contestant name*

to participate in the 2019 PARC Scholarship Essay Contest _____
signature of parent or guardian *date*

I, _____, certify that _____ is a student in good
name of teacher/counselor *contestant name*

standing at _____.
name of school

signature of teacher/counselor

date

Optional Section - Media Release

(Note: completion of this section will not affect the contestant's chances of being chosen in the scholarship/essay contest)

Permission is given to release written essay and student photo to news media.

contestant signature

date

parent or guardian signature

date

