



The Exchange Club of the San Ramon Valley invites you to our 9-11 Essay Competition

THEME FOR THE 2025 ESSAY COMPETITION

The terrorist attacks on 9/11 were tragic for the country. Yet, it brought out the best in humanity as our first responders and military rushed into danger to try and save innocent lives.

Their bravery was astonishing. That bravery continues today as our firefighters battle flames, our police hold the line to protect us from evil, and our military deploy to fight those who would do us harm. They're always ready to dive headfirst into danger's mouth without batting an eye. And yet, they are just people like the rest of us.

Ask yourself, what drives them? What makes ordinary people rush to danger to perform extraordinary heroic acts to try and save their fellow citizens? During our worst moments dealing with fires, floods, crimes and terrorist attacks, what makes them come to our aid by rushing into the danger to protect us?

STUDENT APPLICATION

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Grade _____ School You Are Attending _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Please complete this form and email it along with your essay to gregmarvel@gmail.com.

Essays are Due No Later than October 30th
No Exceptions

Your essay must be 100 to 300 words long and be in Microsoft Word format or PDF format.
Students submitting the best essays will win cash prizes!

Open to all students living in the San Ramon Valley and students attending the 9-11 Ceremony. Winners will be announced in early November.

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ESSAY AWARDS:

High School	- \$1,000, \$600, \$400
6th - 8th Grade	- \$600, \$400, \$200
1st - 5th Grade	- \$300, \$200, \$100

Questions:

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The Exchange Club of the San Ramon Valley is a community volunteer organization that benefits the communities of Alamo, Danville, Diablo and San Ramon.