

HUGH SPAGNUOLO EXCELLENCE IN ESSAY WRITING AWARD

(Open to Lansing Eastern High School Seniors)

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

(Paperclip this form to the front of one copy of your essay and refer to the attached guidelines)

Entrant Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Title of Essay: _____

Title and Author of Book, Poem or Play Discussed: _____

Author Statement

Why I write: (25 words or less)

Statement of Originality

I certify that the attached essay is my original work and solely authored by me.

Author's Signature _____ Date: _____

Release for Publicity

Submission of an essay grants permission to the Lansing Eastern High School Alumni Association to copy, print, exhibit, or distribute the essay in any format and to use photographs and video of the entrant in any format for publicity, promotional and recognition purposes.

Author's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name and Signature of Parent or Legal Guardia if entrant is under 18 years of age:

Name: _____ Signature _____

Date: _____

This entry form must be submitted with two copies of the essay to the Robin Coe

Hugh Spagnuolo Excellence in Essay Writing Award Guidelines

Subject: Expository writing in academic style, analyzing the student's favorite book but without first person reference to what the student liked or disliked. The book can be a novel, poem or play.

Requirements: 1,000 to 2,000 words typed, doubled spaced single sided. The essay must be the sole work of the entrant, although quotes may be used if the source is acknowledged. Entrant's name must only appear on the entrance form and must not appear anywhere on the essay. Each essay will be assigned a coded number linked to the entrant's name so that essay evaluators cannot identify the essay's author. Paperclip the cover sheet to one copy of the essay and place the completed entrance form in the envelope provided.

Essays will be scored on the following:

- Originality – is the argument unique I content, use of language, and style?
- Content & Form – Does the author make good use of formal writing?
- Organization – Is the essay clearly worked out and complete?
- Writing Style – Is the writing clear, convincing and/or powerful?
- Mechanics – Does the essay adhere to standard language requirement?