



## High School Students Needed to Participate in the PTA Men's Essay Contest

This contest is for students of all ages to write an essay about a male role model that has had a profound impact on their life. The objective is to help promote male engagement around the state of Washington. All men involved in a child's life (fathers, uncles, grandpas, brothers, step-fathers, mentors, coaches and friends) impact the children they care about.

When writing their essays, students can consider many questions including (but not limited to):

- Why is this male role model important in your life?
- What life lessons, ethics, or skills have they taught you?
- Why do you look up to him and appreciate having him in your life?
- How would your life be different without this person?
- How would other kids benefit from having a similar role model in their life?

### Divisions:

✓ **Grades 9 - 12**

✓ **Special Author – Secondary** (6th – 12th grade)

The Special Author division is an option for students with disabilities who receive services under IDEA or Section 504 to have the opportunity and accommodations they may need in order to participate fully in the program. The Special Author division offers modified guidelines to ensure that every student has the chance to be part of the program.

Entries due March 1, 2019. (Postmarked by date.) Entry forms can be found at:

[www.wastatepta.org/events-programs/pta-mens-essay-contest](http://www.wastatepta.org/events-programs/pta-mens-essay-contest)

Winning authors will be invited to attend the Programs Award Ceremony.

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