



2019 Essay Contest Rules

Why are *you* Pro-Life?

Senior Essay Contest – Grades 10 – 12 **Junior Essay Contest – Grades 7 – 9**

Please follow these guidelines:

1. Essays and online registration must be submitted by **Monday, November 4, 2019**. To register go to www.mcrtlife.com and click on "Student Central" in the navigation bar and then "Essay Contest" and "Register Online." Email your essay in an attached file to mcrtlessaycontest@gmail.com. Name your file using this protocol: 2019-essay title.pdf. For example: 2019-Glory Baby.pdf
2. Address the question – *Why are you Pro-Life?* - in an essay 300-500 words in length.
3. Follow this protocol for your essay:
 - Essay is double spaced
 - Pages are numbered
 - Font is Times New Roman, 12 pt.
 - Title is centered at top of the first page
 - Author's name is not shown on the essay
4. By submitting an entry, the contestant and parent agree:
 - A. to allow Montgomery County Right to Life and Texas Right to Life to reprint the essay;
 - B. that the essay is original, but not copyrighted; and
 - C. that the essay has not been submitted to any other Montgomery County Right to Life contest.
5. Sources used for the essay must be cited.
6. Please do not include report covers or folders.
7. Essays will be judged on originality, content, and accuracy. Please be mindful of your word choice. We want to communicate the truth that abortion, euthanasia, etc. are unequivocally wrong and take innocent lives, but we want to do so in a manner that will build bridges of communication. Please strive to communicate the truth but with grace and love. Your essay should be focused on speaking to people who are not Pro-Life.
8. Participants must be a resident of Montgomery, Harris, Fort Bend, Grimes, Walker, Liberty, Waller, or San Jacinto counties – state of Texas.

Please email any questions to: mcartlessaycontest@gmail.com.