

2025 Law Day Essay Competition

Eligibility

All Students, in San Benito County, in grades 9-12, attending public or private school, or are home schooled, may enter the essay or art contest. This year, we have also invited students at Gavilan College to participate.

The Superior Court of California, County of San Benito cordially invites students to help us celebrate Law Day 2025 by entering this year's The Constitution's Promise competition:

Out of Many, One

Prompt

The Constitution enshrines our collective responsibility to one another, and the 2025 Law Day theme urges us to take pride in a Constitution that bridges our differences to bring us together as a united nation. Our civic lives tie us together as one "We," whether through legislative efforts that serve the common good, through military service, or by working together, every day, to fulfill the promise of E pluribus unum, or "Out of many, one."

Rules

- 1. Essays must be a maximum of 500 words, typed or handwritten in blue or black ink.
- 2. Essays must be original, and the exclusive work of the student entering the competition.
- 3. Essays may not include copyrighted characters, photographs, magazines, or newspaper illustrations.
- 4. Submissions will not be accepted or eligible if they include any content that contains or appears to contain:
 - o Profane, obscene, or inappropriate images or language
 - Any derogatory characterization of any person or group based on age, race, color, gender, gender identity, citizenship, national origin, physical appearance, political affiliation, union membership, etc.
 - Any actual or apparent copying or other infringement of another's intellectual property.
- 5. All submissions must include the provided cover sheet, whether physical or digital.
- 6. Submissions can be entered through:
 - a. Physical drop off at the court.
 - b. Flash drive drop off at the court.
 - c. Email to: resourceteam@sanbenitocourt.org