

Baytown Rotary Club honors essay winners

The Baytown Rotary Club recognized several Goose Creek CISD students for their accomplishments in this year's Drug Awareness and Four-Way Test essay contests.

For years, the Rotary Club of Baytown has invited eighth-graders from Goose Creek CISD to write their opinions on the negative effects of drugs and to submit them in the club's Drug Essay Contest for a chance to win a savings bond and an invitation to read their work for Rotarians, teachers, family and friends.

Students submit their entries to their teachers. Then a first, second and third place winners are chosen to represent their school.

The Drug Awareness Essay Contest is designed to encourage students to think creatively and reflectively about the impact of drug and substance abuse on the world, the nation and state, their community and themselves and to express their thinking in

8th grade student drug essay contest winners:

- · Madilyn Paige Moyers, Gentry Junior
- · Cody Nethery, Cedar Bayou Junior:
- · Gabrielle Kaitlyn Post, Baytown Junior

· Dillan Keith McCartney, Horace Mann Junior

The Rotary Club also sponsors an essay-writing contest in which students were asked to apply the Four-Way Test to their lives.

The club traditionally invites one junior school — this year it is Baytown Junior — to include seventh-graders in the contest by entering their papers in the Rotary 4-Way Test Essay Contest.



The 4-Way Test consists of four short questions, 24 words.

It reads:

- · Is it the Truth?
- · Is it fair to all concerned?
- · Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- · Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

The Test does not provide the answers in itself, but encourages creative and effective solutions in problem solving situations.

Four Way Test essay contest winners

First place: Beatrice Ramirez Second Place: Alejandro Cadena Third place: Meagan Springer

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