National Civics Bee®
by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation

# Lead Change. Lift Your Community.

## ENTER THE 2027 NATIONAL CIVICS BEE®

**Calling all 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders:** Here's your chance to share an idea that could strengthen your school or community—and compete for major prizes along the way.

**nationalcivicsbee.org**




2025 National Championship Winners: Barrett, Maanha, and Aarit

## How it Works

**STEP 1** **WRITE** short answer responses to each of the four prompts on page 2.

**STEP 2** **CREATE AN ACCOUNT** and submit your essay application online.

**The 2027 Application is now open!** Click here to apply.

**STEP 3** **SUBMIT** by February 2, 2027 (11:59 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time).

**STEP 4** **ADVANCE** through live competitions—regional, state, then the National Championship.

**STEP 5** Finalists receive a study guide and free access to Khanmigo®, Khan Academy's AI tutor.

## PRIZES*

**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

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| 1st Place | **$100,000*** 529 plan contribution |
| 2nd Place | **$25,000*** |
| 3rd Place | **$15,000*** |

**STATE FINALS**

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| 1st Place | **$1,000*** |
| 2nd Place | **$500*** |
| 3rd Place | **$250*** |

**REGIONAL BEES**

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| 1st Place | **$500*** |
| 2nd Place | **$250*** |
| 3rd Place | **$125*** |

* Amounts shown are the anticipated minimums to be awarded. All amounts are cash prizes except as indicated above. Finalists for each round should reference their respective Contest Rules for full prize information.

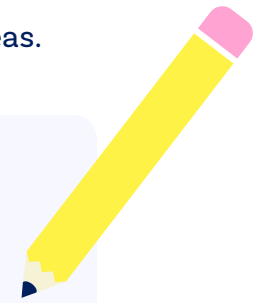
** Full details on the entry procedure are described in the Contest Rules.

# 2027 Essay Prompt

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**Before you begin:**

- ☐ Read the Essay Round Contest Rules. You'll need permission from a parent/guardian to apply.
- ☐ The online application has **four text boxes**, one for each question below.
- ☐ Type your responses directly into the boxes—do not upload a file.
- ☐ Aim for **150–200 words in each box**. This is the best length to fully explain your ideas.



**QUESTION 1**

**IMAGINE** one change—big or small—that would make life better for people in your school or community in the future. Share your idea and how it could make a positive impact on your community.

*Strong responses are typically between 150 and 200 words.*

**QUESTION 2**

**DESCRIBE** how you would bring your idea to life. Explain how you would build trust, understand different viewpoints, and collaborate with people who care about the idea.

*Strong responses are typically between 150 and 200 words.*

**QUESTION 3**

**FIND** support to help you bring your idea to life. Who could help you, and how would they contribute?

*Strong responses are typically between 150 and 200 words.*

**QUESTION 4**

**CONNECT** your idea to the values that shaped our country. How does your idea reflect the Founding Principles and Civic Virtues?

*Strong responses are typically between 150 and 200 words.*

Questions? Email **nationalcivicsbee@uschamber.com**

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