

Albert Wisner Public Library Foundation 2009 Scholarship Competition

For the third consecutive year, Albert Wisner Public Library Foundation is offering two \$1,000 college scholarships to be awarded in a writing competition. Applicants will submit an essay, not to exceed 2,000 words in length, on a topic selected by the scholarship committee. Submissions will be judged on the basis of responsiveness to the topic, overall literacy and grammatical accuracy, relevance to community concerns in the Warwick area and such other criteria as the judges think appropriate. Authors of the two essays judged to be best of those submitted will each receive \$1,000 toward the cost of college tuition.

Any high school senior who is a resident of the Warwick Valley Central School District is welcome to participate, although the student need not be enrolled in Warwick Valley High School. **The topic for the 2009 essay competition is: *how the recent global economic downturn has influenced my college and career plans.***

Essays are due to the Library by 5:00pm on Friday, May 8, 2009. Students should bring six (6) printed copies of the essay, together with one cover sheet showing their name, mailing address, phone number and email address, to Kathleen Koopman at the Circulation Desk. *The essay must not contain any information that identifies the writer in any way;* the judges will not know who wrote each essay. To ensure fairness to all applicants, no extensions will be granted beyond the May 8th deadline.

The two scholarships will be awarded in June 2009. Please call Lisa Laico at the Library (986-1047, ext. 3) with any questions on procedures for submitting an essay.