2021 College Scholarship Competition

For the fifteenth consecutive year, the Albert Wisner Public Library Foundation is offering college scholarships to be awarded in a writing competition. Applicants will submit an essay, not to exceed 2,000 words in length, on the following topic: ***Indicate a character in a fictional book or an actual historical figure who has had a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.***

Submissions will be judged based on responsiveness to the topic, overall literacy and grammatical accuracy, and other criteria as the judges think appropriate. Authors of the three essays judged to be the best of those submitted each will receive $1,000 toward the cost of college tuition.

Any high school senior *who resides in the Warwick Valley Central School District* and expects to graduate in 2021 is welcome to participate, regardless of where he/she attends school - home-schooled students included.

Please note the following firm guidelines:

- Essay must not include any details that reveal the writer's identity. The judges consider all essays without knowing the writer.
- Essay is **due on Monday, April 5, 2021 by 5:00pm, submitted as an email attachment to: awplscholarship@gmail.com**. Please submit the essay from a *non-WVCSD* email address, and please provide a contact phone number. Late essays will not be judged.
- Scholarship recipients will need to provide their college student I.D. number once assigned.

The three scholarships will be awarded in May 2021. Foundation member Glenn P. Dickes, together with his wife Susan D. Dickes, have sponsored the scholarships since the competition's inception in 2007. Both the Foundation and Library deeply appreciate their generosity.