



LITTLE NECK-DOUGLASTON  
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

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**Art and Essay Contest**  
**Awards Night, Friday, May 24, 2019**

Since the earliest ceremonies in small American towns following the Civil War, we have gathered on Memorial Day to honor and remember those who died bravely, making the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. It is a day of both celebration and grief, when we honor our heroes from all our past wars and think about their tragic loss.

This year the theme for our Memorial Day Parade is "What so Proudly We Hail," taken from our National Anthem, "The Star-Spangled Banner." Our National Anthem has inspired Americans for over 200 years. By choosing this theme, we invite you to reflect on our past, present, and future as a free and democratic country.

**Kindergarten: Drawings only.**

- The Flag of Our Country

**1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Drawing Only; 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Drawing and/or Essay**

The Art and Essay Contest encourages you to use your imagination or choose from one of the topics below to write an essay and/ or draw a picture.

- What does "The Star-Spangled Banner" mean to you?
- There are many different people who make up America and our military.
- What does it mean to be a first generation American?
- How is our freedom tied to Memorial Day?
- How do we honor our Veterans? How can we do better?
- Interview a Veteran who is a member of your family or someone you know.

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**APPLICATION: Please read and follow all the rules to avoid your entry being disqualified. No application will be accepted without this form attached, which must include a parent or guardian's signature.**

Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Who Assisted You With The Contest \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read, understand, and agree to all the terms and conditions of the Little Neck-Douglaston Memorial Day Parade Association, Inc. Art and Essay/Poetry Contest, which appear on the Contest Rules page.*

Parent/Guardian

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_