

## History of East Stroudsburg Essay Contest

The borough of East Stroudsburg will be celebrating their 150th anniversary a year later because of the covid-19 pandemic. One way to celebrate the sesquicentennial is to have an essay contest open to the students of East Stroudsburg School District and Notre Dame of East Stroudsburg highschool students. There will be a monetary prize to the top three essays. 1st prize will be \$150, 2nd place \$100, and 3rd place \$50.

### Criteria

1. The essay contest is open to East Stroudsburg South, East Stroudsburg North, and Notre Dame of East Stroudsburg highschool students.
2. The essay must be written in standard **MLA** format ranging from 3-5 **pages**.
3. All essays are due **April 20th**. Please submit to [barry-krammes@esasd.net](mailto:barry-krammes@esasd.net)

### Topics

1. Choose one of the following groups that have influenced the development of the borough (i.e. Germans, Catholics, African Americans, Native Americans, etc...) What is the legacy that they have left behind. For example, the business community, key figures, key events, that have shaped our community today. How do you envision the borough will be in 50 years from now?
2. From your perspective reflect on your own personal stories from living, going to school, and or playing sports and participating in school activities within the borough. Have there been moments in which you connected with this diverse community that has left a lasting impression on you. How do you envision the borough will be in 50 years from now?