

# 2009 Junior Achievement



# ESSAY COMPETITION

## Topic: How Can Greater Washington Companies Responsibly and Effectively Deal with the Economic Challenges Facing the United States?

**Our economy is at a critical juncture, and we want to hear your ideas on how to help it recover!**

Junior Achievement of the National Capital Area and David M. Rubenstein, Co-Founder and Managing Director of The Carlyle Group, invite students to submit a 1,000- to 1,500-word essay on the topic “*How can Greater Washington companies responsibly and effectively deal with the economic challenges facing the United States?*”

### Awards

The winning student will receive a \$20,000 scholarship at the 2009 Washington Business Hall of Fame on December 1, 2009 and will have their essay published in the January 2010 issue of *Washingtonian*. In addition, nine runner-up winners will each receive a \$10,000 scholarship at the 2009 Washington Business Hall of Fame. In each of Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia, the school with the greatest number of eligible applications will receive \$6,000.

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### How to Apply & Submission Deadline

Visit [www.myJA.org/students/essay/](http://www.myJA.org/students/essay/) to apply online. The competition begins on August 17, 2009 and all entries must be received by October 1, 2009. Winners will be announced on December 1, 2009.

### Eligibility Requirements

The competition is open to any 9th–12th grade student enrolled in an accredited high school in the 2009–2010 academic year in the Greater Washington Region. All essays will be reviewed by the SafeAssign by Blackboard plagiarism prevention service. For a listing of all eligibility requirements, visit [www.myJA.org/students/essay/](http://www.myJA.org/students/essay/).

### About Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement is the world’s largest non-profit organization dedicated to educating students in grades K-12 about financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurship through experiential, hands-on programs. All programs are provided at no cost to students or educators through the generous support of donors. Visit [www.myJA.org](http://www.myJA.org) to request a program for your classroom or to volunteer in a local school.

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