



# Independence Day Writing Challenge

Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site, in collaboration with the Friends of Hopewell Furnace, is accepting essay from youth writers answering the question:

***What is your pursuit of Happiness?***

Essay submissions will be part of the Independence Day Program this year!

## Grade Levels: 6 - 12

Students in grades 6 – 8: 300 words or less

Students in grades 9 – 12: 500 words or less

Cash prizes of up to **\$125** for grades 6 - 8 and 9 - 12



Learn more about the contest and how to submit writing by scanning the QR Code or visiting our website.  
[go.nps.gov/July4WritingChallenge](https://go.nps.gov/July4WritingChallenge)

## Submissions due by April 20, 2025

Open to students who attend public or private schools, or who attend home school, within the boundaries of the following local school districts:

Antietam  
Boyertown  
Coatesville  
Daniel Boone  
Downingtown  
Exeter  
Governor Mifflin  
Oley Valley

Owen J. Roberts  
Phoenixville  
Pottsgrove  
Pottstown  
Reading  
Spring-Ford  
Twin Valley  
Wyomissing