To mark the 83rd anniversary of the founding of the Young Women’s Christian Association of The Bahamas, scholarship assistance in the amount of $1,000.00 (first place), $700.00 (second place) and $500.00 (third place) will be awarded to three successful candidates entering the YWCA’s essay competition. Additionally, students who do not place but whose work is deserving of recognition will be given a monetary contribution. For further information please see Essay Rules and Regulations.

Theme:
“Tomorrow’s Leaders Begin Today”
Closing Date: February 28th, 2020

Competition Topics

Write an essay between 400 to 450 words on one of the following topics:

- Inspiring leadership lessons from the life of a selected Bible character
- They Stood Up (stories of resistance and courage) - Social Justice
- A Shining Example (an unsung hero or heroine)
- Overcoming Odds - Select a Bahamian man or woman who surmounted obstacles on the road to success.

Requirements: Students wishing to enter the competition will be required to attend a one day Leadership Seminar to be held on Saturday March 28th, 2020 at the Headquarters of the Young Women’s Association located at 28 Dolphin Drive. The hours of the seminar will be from 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served. For further information please read Essay Competition Rules and Guidelines.
Registration Form

First Name: ________________________________

Last Name: ________________________________

Email address: ______________________________

Telephone Numbers: ________________________

Date of birth: Day__Month___Year____

Name of Academic Institution that you attend currently:

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High School Grade Level: ______ College Level______

Signature of Student: ________________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ________________________________

(If student is under the age of 18)

Please note that the deadline for registration is February 28th, 2020. The form, accompanied by a photo identification (passport), should be emailed to ywcaoffice242@yahoo.com.
The YWCA of The Bahamas

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Essay Competition Rules and Guidelines

The essay will be written under examination conditions at the Headquarters of The Young Women's Christian Association of The Bahamas situated at 28 Dolphin Drive. All preparation must be done prior to the date of the essay competition. Please note the following:

- Students will not be permitted to have smart phones, notes or any reference materials on hand when writing the essay.
- Scholarship assistance will only be provided to those finalists who are studying in The Bahamas.
- To be considered a finalist, a student will have to obtain a minimum score of 75%.
- The Leadership Seminar will be held at the YWCA on Saturday, March 28th, 2020 from 9:00 to 12:00p.m. Lunch will be served.
- The essay will be written on Saturday, April 4th from 9:00 to 10:30a.m.

Students entering the competition are encouraged to start their preparation by reading relevant articles and books and engaging in online research. Any queries can be sent to ywcaoffice242@yahoo.com

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