

# 2023 ESSAY CONTEST



North Dakota League of Cities

## If I were mayor

Third and seventh grade students living in North Dakota can participate in this annual essay contest designed to get them thinking about civic leadership. Please share this opportunity with local schools and the citizens of your city.

### The rules are simple:

- Essays must be the original work of third graders and seventh graders in North Dakota schools or home schools. Essays may be typed.
- Any third or seventh grade student may submit one essay; multiple entries from one author will not be accepted.
- Essays should be no longer than one page in length and must answer the following questions:
  1. *Why is your city great - what makes it special?*
  2. *What would you do to improve your city if you were mayor?*
- Essays may deal with community issues. Originality of thought and creativity will be considered.

Entries submitted by teachers must include the author's name, school and teacher's name. Entries submitted by individual students must include the author's name, address, parent's name and phone number.

### Essays may be submitted in the following ways:



- Mail to North Dakota League of Cities, 410 E Front AVE, Bismarck, ND 58504 and postmarked no later than March 15, 2023
- Email to [carissa@ndlc.org](mailto:carissa@ndlc.org) no later than March 15, 2023



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