



# 2025 APPLICATION 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ESSAY CONTEST

**COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025**

Return completed application and essay documents to World Class Schools of Leon County.  
For more information, visit [www.wcsleon.com/bestandbrightest](http://www.wcsleon.com/bestandbrightest)

**Student #  
for Essay:**

### Student Information – please type or print legibly

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

### School Contact Information

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Submission Agreement

The undersigned hereby acknowledge that the attached essay is an independent work written by the student. The undersigned further agree that the essay may be published in its entirety. Winning essays from each school have been selected based on that school's use of the published rubric and presented for further selection at the countywide level. All selections are final.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print **legibly**) (Signature)

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print **legibly**)

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Submission Instructions:

1. Complete the application, obtaining signatures where necessary.
2. Submit **three (3)** copies of the essay, plus the original essay which are all three holed punched. No names or schools should be on the essays except the original.
3. Attach the application form to the original essay and paperclip the three copied sets together into one packet.
4. The school will submit the packet to:

**World Class Schools of Leon County, Inc.**

**Attn: Laura Rogers**

**Mail To: P.O. Box 1639, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or**

**Hand Deliver To: 300 East Park Avenue**

Incomplete applications, or those submitted after the deadline, will not be considered after Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 5:00PM

Awards for top three winners will be announced at The Best & Brightest Awards Ceremony  
on Wednesday, May 14, 2025