



Viva! Vienna!

ESSAY CONTEST

\$750 PRIZE

to be awarded to the winner

1st prize - \$450

2nd prize - \$200

3rd prize - \$100

This contest is open to 7th and 8th grade students in Vienna area middle schools.

FORMAT:

500 words minimum, 12 point font, double-spaced, pdf or MS Word file preferred.

DEADLINE:

May 1, 2026

ESSAY TOPIC:

ViVa! Vienna! is a fun event that you enjoy with your friends every year. But did you know that the money raised by the Vienna Rotary Club during ViVa! Vienna! is donated to many non-profit organizations in our community and around the world, to support the important work that they do? Write an essay on the topic of "**service to others.**"

- Please **do not send** a shared file through Google drive or MS One Drive.
- Please **submit a digital copy** of your essay as an attachment to an email sent to: ViennaRotaryClubContest@gmail.com no later than **May 1, 2026.**
- Include the subject line "**ViVa! Vienna! Essay Competition**".
- Be sure to include **your name, email and phone number** with your entry.

The entries will be judged by a committee of members of the Rotary Club of Vienna. The contest winners will be notified no later than May 15. The first-prize winner of this contest will read the essay and receive the \$450 prize at the ViVa! Vienna! Memorial Day Festival on the Vienna Town Green on Monday, May 25, 2026.

Scott Butler
Chair, ViVa Vienna Youth Contests

