



UNION OF JAMAICAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS (USA), INC.

31st ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY COMPETITION RULES

Eligibility All 2021 United States High School graduates of Jamaican heritage.

Essay Topic **Being of Jamaican heritage and living in the United States of America provides a unique perspective of cultures and history. What would you say is the best of both worlds?**

The essay must include a comparison of culture and history, how and why you would embrace your choice, and what would your generation do to support that choice..

- Requirements**
- One entry per student,
 - Essay must be typed, double spaced and not exceed 5 pages; minimum 500 words.
 - Each page must be numbered.
 - Essay must have a cover page containing the title, the student's name.
 - Where applicable, footnotes and bibliography must be included in an appendix to the essay.
 - Each entry must be submitted with an **ESSAY COMPETITION ENTRY FORM**
 - Finalists must be prepared to be interviewed by the judges.
 - Essay entry must be postmarked/mailed no later than **June 1, 2021** and mailed to:
UJAA (USA), Inc.
2021 Essay Competition
229-19 Merrick Boulevard, #141
Springfield Gardens, NY 11413

Or emailed to HSGAwards@ujaausa.org

For information, please call: **917-523-5887** or **516-713-8270**

<u>Judging</u>	<u>General Merit</u>	<u>Mechanics</u>	<u>General Effect</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ideas• Organization• Wording• Flavor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Usage• Punctuation• Spelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Written presentation

<u>Prizes</u>	GRAND PRIZE	-	A trip for 2 to Jamaica (<i>upgrade not included</i>)
	• 1 st	-	\$500
	• 2 nd	-	\$300
	• 3 rd	-	\$200
	• 4 th	-	\$100
	• Several consolation prizes		

All decisions by the judges will be final.

UJAA (USA), Inc. reserves the right not to award a prize at any level.

THE VIRTUAL AWARDS WILL BE HELD ON:

Monday, June 28, 2021 at 7:00PM

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