



VETERANS DAY ESSAY CONTEST 2019

SANIBEL CITY HALL

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO HONOR OUR VETERANS AND CELEBRATE VETERANS DAY?

HOW ARE VETERANS IMPORTANT IN MY LIFE?

I stand with my hand over my heart as the National Anthem plays. And why you may ask? I honor our veterans because they have served our country bravely, and have fought for our freedoms that we love but take for granted.

We have freedoms like no other country. The government doesn't control us and tell us what to do with our lives. We have the rights of "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness," that our veterans defend. For example, we have the right to attend whatever school we want and learn. We also have religious rights and can pray to God if we want to.

Our soldiers have done so much to keep us safe, and Veterans Day is a celebration to honor their sacrifices. Veterans are brave, and physically and mentally strong. Most importantly, they fight evil to protect Americans. I am thankful for our veterans because they keep us safe.

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