

The Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) presents the 23rd annual “Wonders of Plastics” essay contest. Open to all middle/junior high and high school students, the essay must meet the requirements outlined below. **Deadline is February, 28, 2019!**

TOPICS TO CONSIDER

- Advantages of Plastics in Food Packaging
- Plastics in the Environment
- Creative Use of Recycled Plastics
- Plastics Usefulness in Society
- How Plastics Benefit Humankind
- What Plastics Have Done for Me
- Myths about the Bad Reputation of Plastics
- How Plastics Improve our Lifestyle

CASH AWARDS

for 1st – 5th place from both North and South Sections:

1st Place: \$500 and publication in the SPE Detroit Section Newsletter for both sections.

2nd Place: \$300

4th Place: \$100

3rd Place: \$200

5th Place: \$50

SUBMIT ESSAYS ELECTRONICALLY

(MS Word document preferred) by
February 28, 2019 to:

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REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION

Between 500 – 1,000 words. Typewritten in English on 8 ½ x 11 paper, title to appear as heading on each page; no name on any page except the entry form that must accompany each essay; 1-inch margins minimum on all sides.

The organization structure of the essay should be “logical,” including the following considerations: Introduction, Development, Thesis and Conclusion.

Mechanics: Spelling should be correct; syntax should be readable; punctuation should be conventional. Essay should be free of sentence fragments. Diction (word choice) should be appropriate to the subject and the writer’s understanding of the topic. Point of view should be appropriate to the topic/subject and remain constant and consistent. Footnotes and references must be included when necessary.



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NAME:

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CLASS:

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TITLE:

By submitting this essay to the SPE Detroit Section for consideration, I give permission to the Essay Contest Committee to publish this essay in a future SPE Detroit Section newsletter.

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE:

DATE:



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ESSAY TITLE

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