

Patriotic Essay Contest

The United States of America is the greatest country this world has ever seen. There has never been a nation like it, nor will there ever be another that comes close to it. The founding fathers are to thank for forming this great country and writing the 2 documents that keep our country together. Our founding fathers' accomplishments of creating the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution means to me, that the United States of America truly is the nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

In the Declaration of Independence, the founding fathers wrote, "...all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator..." That line of text tells me that the founding fathers believed that everyone is special and that we are of equal value as human beings. Our founding fathers continued on to say that all human beings have "certain unalienable rights" which include life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. I love that they added these unalienable rights into the Declaration because it shows that they care about everyone's well-being, and it gives me the opportunity to live free and to continue building a better life for myself. The founding fathers even stated that the role of government is to protect the three unalienable rights for every citizen!

The Constitution is also remarkable because it states the rules and regulations of government. The Constitution was written to "form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote general welfare, and secure blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity." It is spectacular to know that our founding fathers were not fighting for liberty just for themselves, but they were also fighting for their posterity. They were thinking about you and I while they were writing the Constitution!

Both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution are very special to my heart. They are both documents about going forth with what you believe in, even if others will want to kill you for it. Stand up for the right. I am personally kind of the same way. If I know something

is wrong, I will stand up for doing the right thing even if it means breaking off from others. Both the Declaration and the Constitution are proof that Americans are brave, and the country achieved freedom because of it. It is such a blessing to live in America. When I hear people talking bad about this country, I have to give them a lecture about how it is the best country they will ever know, and I go on for hours, believe me.

I love this nation. I would do anything to help my country and continue on what the founding fathers started. My career goal in life is to serve as a FBI Agent or as a police officer to help keep the peace and protect those rights and liberties that we have. The US is a nation of opportunity and liberty, and I am very blessed to live here. I received my Eagle Scout award on August 30, 2011 at the age of 14, and throughout those years of scouting, and still to this day, I have never felt as much pride as when I stand and raise my hand to my eyebrows, or over my heart, in salute to the flag of this great nation, and pledge my allegiance to it and this country. I am very grateful to our founding fathers who risked their lives in creating the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, and in the rights, liberties, and safety that those documents provide. The United States is the land of the free, and the home of the brave. God bless America. God bless our home.