

National Achievers Society Laws of Life Essay



The *Laws of Life* are core values and ideals by which we live. Honesty, perseverance, and the Golden Rule all are examples of these universal “laws” that transcend religions, cultures, and national borders.

To be eligible for induction into the National Achievers Society (NAS), a potential inductee must complete and submit a 250-word (maximum) *Laws of Life Essay*. The *Laws of Life Essay* requirement offers a potential NAS member the opportunity to think about and communicate the principles that guide his or her life.

As you write your *Essay*, please select the quotation below that expresses a key value and/or ideal by which you live. Then explain why the chosen value/ideal is important to the way you live your life by discussing your experiences, lessons learned, and people who have served as living examples of your chosen value/ideal.

In a world filled with hate, we must still dare to hope. In a world filled with anger, we must still dare to comfort. In a world filled with despair, we must still dare to dream. And in a world filled with distrust, we must still dare to believe. --Michael Jackson

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy. --Martin Luther King

Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world. --Nelson Mandela

You can't let your failures define you. You have to let your failures teach you. --President of the United States Barack Obama

Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today. --Malcolm X

Education must not only simply teach--it must teach life. --W. E. B. Dubois

Nothing ever comes to one that is worth having, except as a result of hard work. --Booker T. Washington

There are still many causes worth sacrificing for, so much history yet to be made. -- First Lady Michelle Obama

You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them. --Maya Angelou

The kind of beauty I want most is the hard-to-get kind that comes from within - strength, courage, dignity. --Ruby Dee Davis

Please note that the Laws of Life Essay you submit will be forwarded to the Florida Education Fund (FEF), the entity that sponsors Florida's Laws of Life Essay Contest, for consideration for possible prizes as a part of that Contest. If you do not want your Essay considered in the Contest, please sign this form below.

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