

2024 State Journalism Championship



#2 -- Newspaper Column Writing

Time Limit – 1:15

Directions: Select one of the two topics listed below and write a column aimed at a high school audience. Entries will be evaluated on the following: (1) establishes a clear opinion with specific and effective support; (2) presents a solution/alternative/action; (3) individual voice and style are evident; (4) follows journalistic style.

When you are finished:

1. Type or print your name on your entry.
2. Save your document as a PDF using a filename of your choice. ****Remember where you saved the file.**
3. Go to this link <https://secure.nsaahome.org/nsaaforms/jo/login/student/index.php>
4. Complete the form, hit LOGIN
5. Choose file. **MUST BE A PDF FILE**
6. Click UPLOAD
7. When done, please raise your hand for the proctor to confirm the upload was successful.

Topic #1:

What is the biggest issue in education today?

Topic #2:

Should parents or other adults be able to ban books from schools and libraries?