



## AMERIKA SAMOA HUMANITIES COUNCIL

*"The individual of Yesterday and Today will enrich the individual of Tomorrow."  
"O le Tagata o Ananafi ma le Aso, E Fa'atamaoaigā le Tagata o a Taaao."*



### The National Arts and Humanities Month of October 2022.

October is the National Arts and Humanities Month as declared by the President of the United States and echoed by our own Governor Honorable Lemanu Palemoi Sialeaga Peleti Mauga.

In celebration of this special month, we are inviting students from the Public and Private Schools to help commemorate the The National Arts and Humanities by participating in an **Essay and Poetry Writing Competition**.

Theme of the competition:

*"Save our Samoan Language and Culture from Extinction."  
"Faasao le Gagana Samoa ma le Aganu'u ina nei mou atu."*

#### Eligibility Criteria:

- **Must be enrolled in a public or private school.**
- **Must be in Grade 5 - 12.**

The competition is in two tiers with 4 categories each.

#### 1. Tier I: High School Levels 9-12

- Category 1: Samoan Essay Writing (750-1,000 words)
- Category 2: English Essay Writing (750-1,000 words)
- Category 3: Samoan Poetry Writing (300-500 words)
- Category 4: English Poetry Writing (300-500 words)

#### 2. Tier II: Elementary Levels 5-8

- Category 1: Samoan Essay Writing (750-1,000 words)
- Category 2: English Essay Writing (750-1,000 words)
- Category 3: Samoan Poetry Writing (300-500 words)
- Category 4: English Poetry Writing (300-500 words)

*For all Poetry entries; MUST have no less than 6 stanzas and 6 lines each stanza.*

To register download the registration form from our website, [www.ashcouncil.org](http://www.ashcouncil.org), or our Amerika Samoa Humanities Facebook page or pick up a form from our **ASHC office** in Fagatogo on the Lumana'i Building Rm# LB-205.

Slots are limited for each category, so **Apply NOW!**

#### Judging Criteria for Essay Writing:

- Cover Page
- must have Name, Age, School, Grade and Title
- Font Times New Roman, Font size 12, Double Space
- Originality of ideas
- Plagiarizing is an automatic disqualification
- Structure
- Must be in the order of, Introduction, Body and Conclusion.
- Expression
- Relevance
- Grammar and Spelling
- Creativity

#### Judging Criteria for Poetry:

- Cover Page
- must have Name, Age, School, Grade and Title
- Originality of ideas
- Plagiarizing is an automatic disqualification.
- Coherence of form and Structure
- Fluency and Expression
- Relevance to the theme
- Grammar and Spelling
- Creativity

**\*Submit Final Essay or Poetry to our office on the second floor of the Lumana'i Building in Fagatogo Rm# LB-205 by Tuesday, October 25, 2022 by 4pm. Call (684) 633-4870 if you need more information.**