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WHAT DOES OUR TOWN LIBRARY MEAN TO YOU?
ESSAY CONTEST

The Friends of Westfield Memorial Library Essay Contest has been established to encourage young people to think creatively about the impact of our library on their lives. As part of our year-long celebration of Westfield 300, The Friends would like to highlight the vital influence our dynamic, thriving library has had on our youth. This contest is open to students in grade 8 at Edison Intermediate and Roosevelt Intermediate Schools.

DIRECTIONS: Write about one or two experiences you have had at the Westfield Memorial Library that made the library special to you. What happened and why did you feel the way you did? You can write an essay or a story. Your submission should be from 350 to 500 words long typed. Please submit your original work online to info@fwmlnj.org and include contact information and the name of your school and Language Arts teacher.

Essays will be judged on the following criteria:

- A. Relevance to the topic in an articulate, clear and organized manner
- B. Originality of ideas presented
- C. Spelling, grammar, punctuation

All essays must be submitted by Friday, April 3, 2020. The author of the winning essay from each school will be awarded a \$100. U.S. Savings Bond and a book of their choice.