

## 2021 ALP Utilities Essay Guidelines/Rules for submission:

### *Purposes*

- To give something back to the community
- To increase awareness of public power

### *Guidelines:*

Because decisions by judges and disqualifications according to the guidelines are final, entrant should read and follow these guidelines closely:

- Entries are to interpret one or more aspects of the theme, “Municipal Utilities: good for all of us.” Judges will look particularly for originality and the relevance of the theme to the writer and his/her city.
- Those eligible must be, or have as a legal guardian, an electric utility customer of ALP Utilities.
- Essays are to be original and from 500 to 750 words, typed and double-spaced.
- All essays should include a cover page with the writer’s name and address.
- **Deadline for submitting essay and entry form to ALP is March 15, 2021.** Submit your essay to ALP Utilities, 316 Fillmore Street, Alexandria, MN along with the completed entry form. A designated group will select the ALP winning essay and submit it to MMUA for entry into the statewide contest. A committee of MMUA members will select the winners, with an announcement by mid-May.
- **Resources:** On line resources available at [www.alputilities.com](http://www.alputilities.com) , [www.mmua.org](http://www.mmua.org) and [www.publicpower.org](http://www.publicpower.org)
- **Award Payment:**
  - LeRoy Meyer Scholarship will be presented at AAHS Honors Night.
  - MMUA scholarship money will be payable upon receipt of fee statement copy from an accredited post-secondary educational institution. The award check will be made payable to the contest winner and the post-secondary institution. If the contest winner does not attend an accredited post-secondary institution within two years, the money will revert to a trust fund and become available to future contest winners.