



**Kirkwood NY America 250 Celebration
ESSAY & SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST**

Our Nation is celebrating its 250th Birthday this year and the Town of Kirkwood is hosting a local America 250 Celebration on July 4 at Veterans River Park in Kirkwood. As part of this event, we would love to have an area high school student serve as an Ambassador for the day who would be in the parade, take part in the Opening Ceremony, hand out medals and prizes for various contests, and represent throughout the day. The Ambassador will also receive a \$500 scholarship.

To enter the contest, any interested high school student must fill out this form and submit it along with a reference letter from a teacher, advisor or coach as to why said student would make a great Ambassador.

In addition, the applicant must submit a 500-750 word essay answering the following question: *“What’s so Special about the 250th and Why Should we Celebrate?”* Entries should be nonpartisan and respectful of our diverse community. Topics can include, but not limited to, ideals that unite us as a community and country, achievements that have been made over the past 250 years, and vision moving forward to the next 250 years.

Name (First & Last): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

Name of High School _____

Completed applications must be received by April 13 and may be dropped off or mailed to:

**Town of Kirkwood
Attention: Town Historian
70 Crescent Drive
Kirkwood NY 13795**

If you have any questions, feel free to email: historian@townofkirkwood.gov