

# Women's History Month Essay Contest

## 2021 Theme: Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced

**Who can participate?** You must be a registered student at San Jacinto College during the Spring 2021 semester. Dual credit and continuing education students may apply.

**What is the award?** Winners will receive a scholarship ranging from \$100-\$500. Scholarship funds may not be transferred to a different institution.

**How can I participate?** Contestants will submit an essay addressing the following prompt. Each essay submission must follow MLA writing standards. The essay length should be 450-700 words. Grammar, sentence construction, and organization will all be considered in the evaluation process.

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## ESSAY PROMPT

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### **Which strategy has been most successful in advancing women and women's causes in terms of voice/combating silence?**

Remember to think about the following as you prepare your essay:

- 1) Consider the range of strategies before committing to one method, person, or organization.
- 2) Clarify the setting, issues, and outcomes.
- 3) Integrate global examples.
- 4) Consider attending the [brainstorming workshop](#) on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m.– 2:30 p.m.
- 5) Give credit to your sources and cite them in MLA format. This includes any paraphrasing of the material. If you need assistance using library databases, email [Danielle.bible@sjcd.edu](mailto:Danielle.bible@sjcd.edu) or contact a librarian.

**Need Help?** Set up an appointment with the Student Success Center for assistance with writing, research, organization, ideas, etc. See attachment for instructions

**Essay Submission:** Email essay submissions to both [Danielle.bible@sjcd.edu](mailto:Danielle.bible@sjcd.edu) and [michelle.selk@sjcd.edu](mailto:michelle.selk@sjcd.edu). They are due no later than Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. Include your full name, campus, and student G# in the email. Be sure to check your email for a response noting the receipt of your submission.

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