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Military Children: Proud, Ready, and Resilient

2013 Military Youth Essay Contest

“What being a Military Child means to me” (K-6th)

“Does Patriotism Still Matter?” (7th-12th)

- \$20 gift card will be awarded to the favorite essay in each category at an awards ceremony sponsored by American Red Cross!
- One overall favorite for Active Duty and one overall favorite for National Guard / Reserve will be awarded a Nintendo Wii!
- Categories are by grade: K (Pictures are acceptable); 1st-2nd; 3rd-4th; 5th-6th; 7th-8th; 9th-10th; 11th-12th
- All entries will receive a Certificate of Appreciation
- Children and youth of all military branches are welcome
- Essays should be 100-500 words for 1st-6th grades, 500-1,000 words for 7th-12th grades
- Entries must be received by May 3, 2013, and mailed along with entry form to: Laurie Burke, CONG Family Programs, 12200 E Briarwood Ave, #160, Centennial, CO 80112
- For questions, please contact Laurie Burke at 720-250-1412, laurie.j.burke2.ctr@mail.mil
- All essays and pictures become property of the CONG Youth Program and the American Red Cross

'What being a Military Child means to me'
&
'Does Patriotism Still Matter?'

**2013 Military Youth
Essay Contest
Entry Form**

Due to the fact that entries may be used for display and publicity purposes, all information must be attributable to the author. This form must accompany all entries and must be filled out completely. Entries submitted via email must contain ALL of the information.

Contestant's name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone (must include area): _____

Military family member's name: _____

Branch of Svc: _____

Duty Status: _____ Military Installation/Armory: _____

Relationship to Contestant: _____

Parent / Guardian name(s): _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Deadline for entries is May 3, 2013. Email entries to: laurie.j.burke2.ctr@mail.mil

Mail entries to:

Laurie Burke, CYPC

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