



NATIONAL MARITIME ESSAY COMPETITION 2024



This year's theme reflects IMO's work to enhance maritime safety and security, in tandem with the protection of the maritime environment, whilst ensuring its regulatory development process safely anticipates the fast pace of technological change and innovation.

OBJECTIVE:

To encourage secondary level students to explore and understand the significant role that the Maritime industry plays in Belize's economy.



ESSAY TOPIC:

The Maritime Industry:
A Pillar of Belize's Economy

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 16 SEPTEMBER, 2024

See attached guidelines for entry into the competition

NATIONAL MARITIME ESSAY COMPETITION GUIDELINES

1. Essays are to be submitted by students enrolled in either 3rd or 4th form at a high school. One entry per student.
2. Essays must be 800-1200 words maximum. Essays must be typewritten in English, using Times New Romans font size 12, with double line spacing.
3. Essays must have a cover page indicating full name of the student, title of the essay, and word count. Essay submission are to be accompanied by the following: copy of the student identification card, recent photo, contact information, and letter from the high school of their status as an enrolled student.
4. Entries missing any of the above information listed will not be considered.
5. Essays must be original. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified.
6. Co-authored essays will be accepted.
7. Entries should be submitted via email to jsutherland@portauthority.bz, cc: bzportauth@btl.net

Deadline: Entries must be received by **16 September, 2024.**

Essays submitted after the deadline date will not be accepted.

Awards:

Awards will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners as outlined below:

1st place winner- cash prize \$1000.00 towards tuition and \$500.00 to the High School the student is enrolled.

2nd place winner- cash prize \$500.00

3rd place winner- tablet

Winners will be announced and asked to attend the World Maritime Day Educational Expo on 27th September, 2024. To be held at the Belize Port Authority Headquarters Compound located Mile 4 George Price Highway, Belize