Brookline Commission for Women
2020 "A Woman Who Inspires Me" Essay Contest

In celebration of National Women's History Month, the Brookline Commission for Women is pleased to sponsor its 28th annual student essay contest to honor the women who inspire us most. To participate in the contest, we invite students living or attending school in Brookline, Grades 3–12, to write and submit an essay of no more than 500 words about a woman who is important to you and why and how she inspires you. She can be your doctor, caregiver, neighbor, friend, mother, aunt, teacher, etc. – remember, sometimes "ordinary" people can be extraordinary to you!

When writing your essay, please follow these rules:

Who is Eligible:
You must be in the 3rd-12th grade (or, if home-schooled, between 10–18 years of age), live in Brookline, or attend school in Brookline.

The Essay:
1) Your essay should be no more than 500 words.
2) Your essay can be typed or hand-written and should use correct grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
3) The person you write about must be someone you know personally and who is currently living.
DON'T FORGET TO TELL US THE NAME OF THE PERSON IN YOUR ESSAY!

Deadline:
All essays must be submitted (using the online form) by midnight on Friday, March 6, 2020.
Form available at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/56R95T2
Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place essays in each of three groups (grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12).

SAVE THE DATE for the AWARD CEREMONY:
Wednesday, March 25th at 6 p.m.
Hunneman Hall, Brookline Public Library

At the *Women Who Inspire Us* event on March 25th we will recognize all essay contest winners, and 1st-place winners will read their essays aloud. At the same event, we will honor Brookline's 2020 Woman of the Year recipient.

Questions? Please email any questions about the Student Essay Contest to the Brookline Commission for Women at estillman@suffolk.edu

More information about the Brookline Commission for Women can be found here.