



## **WAYS TO CONNECT AND ENGAGE WITH STUDENTS, SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.**

- Contact and share the purpose of the essay contest with school Superintendents.
- Connect with the schools through the principals & administrators
- Share the Mission of the Lion's Club.
- Request the teachers consider this for a 2nd semester class project to be completed in early March.
- Request Jim Spanberger, Lion's Council Chairperson, write each club in the district and encourage them to participate by engaging with the schools and students to become active citizens of our great country. Why is patriotism important to each one of us?
- Request the District Governors of 39W and 39E write letters to each club and encourage their participation in the 2022 Patriotism Essay Contest. Emphasizing citizens' participation, involvement and commitment is what makes this country unique. Our country is on a journey to realize it's potential to insure Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness. All of this depends on the choices each of us chooses to make.
- 39W, Get permission to participate in the award ceremony for the schools from which the top essays were submitted. Each first place essay from grades 1-5 in the West Ada School District will receive \$25 plus a certificate. Each 2nd and 3rd place district essays are awarded a certificate.
- Send Thank You notes to each participant.
- With signed parent permission submit a photo of the student receiving the top award in each grade with an article posted in the local paper along with an article regarding the Mission of the Lion's Club.
- Clubs produce a video with club members and post on You Tube sharing the contest rules and topic of the Essay Contest. A link to Pocatello Sunrise Lion's club video, <https://youtu.be/Kyy9 IWW70>