

Primary : 3rd cycle (200 to 300 words)
Secondary : 1st cycle (300 to 500 words) – 2nd cycle (500 to 700 words)

Texts that have more words than required will not be considered.

Theme:

"You have the possibility of proposing a new law or amending an existing one. What law would you propose or what law would you amend, and why? "

RULES

1. This contest is open to schools on the island of Montreal. Three groups within both the French and English sectors are eligible: students in the 3rd cycle of the elementary level, students in the 1st cycle of the secondary level, and students in the 2nd cycle of the secondary level. One winner will be chosen from each group, subject to fulfilling the selection criteria.
2. Elementary students must write a 200 to 300 word essay. Secondary 1st cycle students must write a 300 to 500 word essay and Secondary 2nd cycle must write a 500 to 700 word essay.
3. The texts must be sent to the Bar of Montreal **by March 25, 2024.**

How to participate

Teachers wishing to participate should indicate their interest by writing to the following e-mail address: concours@barreaudemontreal.qc.ca

The teacher will be sent a link to the *Docurium* platform. The participants' texts must be submitted in the same format (PDF or Word) using the link, in the following order: completed registration form along with the parent or tutor's consent for texts written by minors, followed by the text.

Participants must submit the participation form (page 2) along with their essay. The names of the participants, teacher and school should be indicated on the form and not on the essay itself, as entries are judged anonymously.

ATTENTION: The written consent of the person with parental authority is required for participants under the age of 14. In the absence of the signature of the person with parental authority, the Bar of Montreal will immediately delete the participation form and the student's essay.

1. The following texts will be excluded:

- Incomplete registration form;
- Handwritten text;
- Text sent by fax, e-mail or regular mail or one that does not meet the above conditions.

2. A jury made up of members of the Montreal Bar will choose the winners. The jury may also issue Honourable Mentions to students who have not been chosen as the winners.

Selection criteria: Adherence to the theme, **originality**, spelling, grammar, vocabulary, personal analysis.

Prize: Winners will receive a sum of \$200 offered by the Montreal Bar and Antidote, the most complete writing assistance software created and offered by Druide informatique. They will also be invited to visit the Montreal Courthouse and meet a judge on May 3, 2024. The visit will be followed by the award ceremony to be held in the Lawyers' Lounge.

Personal information: The Bar of Montreal collects personal information about participants and their teacher through the participation form. The personal information that is gathered will only be used for the purpose of managing the contest. No

commercial or other communication unrelated to this contest will be sent to participants or their teacher unless they have given their consent, the whole in accordance with the Bar of Montreal's Policy respecting the protection of personal information (<https://www.barreaudemontreal.qc.ca/sites/default/files/politique-protection-renseignements-personnels.pdf>).

Ownership: The participation forms and texts submitted to the Bar of Montreal are the property of the Bar of Montreal and will not be returned to participants. All participation forms and texts received by the Bar of Montreal and all personal information allowing participants in the contest to be identified will be destroyed within three (3) months following the award ceremony.

Conditions for awarding prizes: Once the winners are selected by the jury, minors under 14 years of age must have a separate consent form filled out by the holder of parental authority or their tutor to participate in the award ceremony.

Information:

Telephone: 514 866-9392, extension 235 — Email: contest@barreaudemontreal.qc.ca

**Participation form
Participant under 14 years of age**

ATTENTION: Participants must submit this Participation form along with their essay. The names of the participants, teacher and school should be indicated on the form and not on the essay itself, as entries are judged anonymously.

Name of school : _____

Name of teacher : _____

E-mail : _____ Telephone : _____

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Secondary	1 st cycle :		Sec. 1	Sec. 2	
Secondary	2 nd cycle :		Sec. 3	Sec. 4	Sec. 5

Name of the student : _____

E-mail : _____ Telephone : _____

Number of words : _____

PARENTAL CONSENT

For the purposes of the **“Write for Justice” Contest** , I, the undersigned
_____, holder of parental authority or tutor of
_____ (“the child”), consent to the collection by the Bar of
Montreal of the child's personal information in accordance with the rules of the **“Write for Justice”** and the Privacy
Policy of the Bar of Montreal (<https://www.barreaudemontreal.gc.ca/wp-content/uploads/privacypolicy.pdf>)

Signature : _____ Date : _____

**Participation form
Participant aged 14 and over**

ATTENTION: Participants must submit this Participation form along with their essay. The names of the participants, teacher and school should be indicated on the form and not on the essay itself, as entries are judged anonymously.

Name of school : _____

Name of teacher : _____

E-mail : _____ Telephone : _____

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Name of the student : _____

E-mail : _____ Telephone : _____

Number of words : _____