# Delhi Public School Knowledge Park - V

Greater Noida (West)

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Dear Parents

Greetings!

We are delighted to inform our students about a prestigious international academic opportunity. As part of our continuous efforts to foster intellectual growth, global awareness, and academic excellence, Delhi Public School invites students of Grades 9 to 12 to participate in the Franklin Essay Prize 2025, hosted by ESSAI Education.

The Franklin Essay Prize is a globally recognized academic writing competition that encourages students aged 13 to 18 to engage critically with contemporary issues across multiple disciplines. This initiative not only helps students sharpen their writing, research, and analytical thinking skills but also enhances their academic profile for university applications.

Participation in this competition is **completely free of charge**. Students are required to choose **one prompt from one subject category** and submit a **human-written original essay** of **no more than 1,000 words**. All essays must follow the submission guidelines and ethical requirements strictly.

Awards and Recognition

The Top 3 Winners in Each Subject Category will receive:

- 1st Prize: ₹2,500 Amazon Gift Card + Certificate + 1-Month Free PIPPAMS Access
- 2nd Prize: ₹2,000 Amazon Gift Card + Certificate
- 3rd Prize: ₹1,500 Amazon Gift Card + Certificate

**Submission Deadline:** 

31st July 2025

We strongly encourage all eligible students to explore this enriching opportunity. Kindly refer to the **attached Annexure** – I for:

- Detailed eligibility criteria
- Essay subject categories and prompts
- Submission format and process
- Referencing and word count rules
- Disqualification clauses
- Contact and submission email information

For any queries, students may contact the in-charge of this event- Ms. Sunita Mukherjee. Let us represent our school community through thoughtful, original, and globally relevant writing.

Warm regards

Principal

Jule Williams

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## Annexure - I

## Franklin Essay Prize 2025

## Detailed Guidelines, Prompts & Instructions for Submission

## Eligibility Criteria

**Age:** 13–18 years

Grade Level: Grades 9 to 12 (as of 2025); homeschooled students are welcome

Open To: Students worldwide

Graduation Year Restriction: Students who graduated in 2025 are not eligible

Participation Fee: Completely free of charge

## **Subjects & Essay Prompts**

Students must choose one prompt from one subject category listed below:

## Computer Science

1. Discuss the importance of integrating ethical frameworks in the development of artificial intelligence technologies.

2. Designing for everyone: How can computer science make technology more inclusive?

3. Analyse the increasing threats to digital security and the measures being implemented to protect personal and organizational data.

#### Social Science

1. Rewriting History: If one historical event had gone differently, how would the world look today?

2. A letter from the future: Describe your country in the year 2125.

3. What makes something 'art'? Debate whether AI, memes, or graffiti count as legitimate art, with reference to art history or philosophy.

#### Economics

1. Investigate how the rise of gig work platforms is reshaping traditional employment structures and economic policies.

2. Evaluate how government policies aimed at combating climate change affect economic growth

and industry sectors.

3. Explore the feasibility of UBI as a response to technological unemployment and its economic and social implications.

#### General Science

1. "What's the most important invention no one talks about?" Unearth a lesser-known breakthrough and explain its impact.

2. Discuss recent innovations in renewable energy sources and their implications for global energy

consumption and environmental sustainability.

3. Investigate new food technologies aimed at reducing environmental impact and feeding a growing population.

## Psychology

- 1. Does the popularity of shows like Adolescence impact the conversations you have with your peers about gender and mental health? Elaborate.
- 2. Analyze how platforms like TikTok and Instagram influence attention spans and cognitive development, particularly among adolescents.
- 3. Explore how climate change-induced anxiety affects the mental health of young people, and discuss potential societal responses to mitigate this issue.

## **Essay Submission Guidelines**

- File Format: PDF (preferred) or Word document
- Required Details on First Page:
  - o Full Name
  - o School Name
  - o Grade
  - Chosen Prompt
- Word Limit: Maximum 1,000 words (excluding citations and references)
- Citation Style: Any recognized referencing style may be used, but must remain consistent throughout the essay
- Submission Limit: Only one essay per student is allowed

## Disqualification Criteria

Submissions will be disqualified under the following conditions:

- More than 10% plagiarism (checked using standard tools)
- AI-generated content (essays must be original and human-written)
- Multiple submissions by the same participant

## Important Date

• Final Submission Deadline: 31st July 2025

## How to Submit Your Essay

- 1. Choose one prompt from the subject categories listed above
- 2. Write your essay (maximum of 1,000 words)
- 3. Save your file as a PDF or Word document
- 4. Include your name, school, grade, and chosen prompt on the first page
- 5. Email your essay to: essayprize@essai.in
- 6. Use the following format for your email subject line:
  Name | School | Grade

## Why You Should Participate

- Boost your college applications with a globally recognized academic achievement
- Sharpen your analytical, research, and writing skills
- Engage in a meaningful academic challenge with peers across the globe
- Gain access to PIPPAMS a tool that supports extracurricular planning and college readiness