2019 Profile in Courage Essay Contest
Winners, Finalists, Semifinalists and Honorable Mentions

First-place Winner:

- Elazar Cramer, a senior at Maimonides School in Brookline, Massachusetts
  Essay subject: Edith Nourse Rogers, former US Representative, Massachusetts

Second-place Winner:

- Jonas Lorincz, a sophomore at Marriotts Ridge High School in Marriottsville, Maryland
  Essay subject: Penfield Wallace Tate II, former Mayor of Boulder, Colorado

Finalists:

- Sophie Braun, a senior at Homestead High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana
  Essay subject: Howard Vance, former Superintendent of Schools of Hoxie, Arkansas

- Peter Dunlap, a senior at Klein Oak High School in Spring, Texas
  Essay subject: Ernest Gruening, former US Senator, Alaska

- Garifalia Kapsalis, a junior at Lake Forest High School in Lake Forest, Illinois
  Essay subject: Margaret Chase Smith, former US Senator, Maine

- Michael Murray, a junior from Lake Oswego High School in Lake Oswego, Oregon
  Essay subject: Tom McCall, former Governor, Oregon

- Katie Rebhan, a sophomore at The Potomac School in McLean, Virginia
  Essay subject: Ellis Arnall, former Governor, Georgia

Semifinalists:

- Tanya Babbar, a sophomore at Pine Richland High School in Gibsonia, Pennsylvania
  Essay subject: Steve Kagen, former US Representative, Wisconsin

- Victoria Bishop, a senior at Edward S. Marcus High School in Flower Mound, Texas
  Essay subject: Mark White, former Governor, Texas
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Semifinalists, continued:

- William Cheng, a senior at the Waterford School in Sandy, Utah
  Essay subject: Barbara Lee, US Representative, California

- Sol Del Risco, a junior at Las Vegas Academy in Las Vegas, Nevada
  Essay subject: Elaine Noble, former State Representative, Massachusetts

- Austin Huckins, a junior at Grand Ledge High School in Grand Ledge, Michigan
  Essay subject: Brian Mast, US Representative, Florida

- William Schrepferman, a senior at Zionsville Community High School in Zionsville, Indiana;
  Essay subject: Albert Patterson, former State Senator, Alabama

- Samantha Waterman, a senior at Homestead High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana
  Essay subject: James E. Horton, former Circuit Judge, Alabama

- James Zheng, a senior at Fossil Ridge High School in Fort Collins, Colorado
  Essay subject: Ralph Edward Flanders, former US Senator, Vermont

Honorable Mentions:

- Ashton Fuentes, a junior at Grand Ledge High School in Grand Ledge, Michigan
  Essay subject: Chris Louras, former Mayor of Rutland, Vermont

- Andrew Grismer, a senior at Frankfort High School in Frankfort, Indiana
  Essay subject: Richard Lugar, former US Senator, Indiana

- Sydney Hedberg, a junior at Grand Ledge High School in Grand Ledge, Michigan
  Essay subject: Penfield Wallace Tate II, former Mayor of Boulder, Colorado
Honorable Mentions, continued:

- Patrick Kilcullen, a sophomore at Illinois Mathematics & Science Academy in Aurora, Illinois; Essay subject: Spencer Abraham, former US Senator, Michigan

- Miranda Liu, a senior at Adlai E. Stevenson High School in Lincolnshire, Illinois
  Essay subject: Henry Horner, former Governor, Illinois

- Annelise Nauman, a junior at West Lafayette Jr./Sr. High School in West Lafayette, Indiana;
  Essay subject: David I. Walsh, former Governor and US Senator, Massachusetts

- Jasmine Ng, a senior at Jones College Preparatory High School in Chicago, Illinois
  Essay subject: Ben West, former Mayor of Nashville, Tennessee

- Duke Pham-Chang, a sophomore at Troy High School in Fullerton, California
  Essay subject: Dale Ross, Mayor of Georgetown, Texas

- Vanessa Popescu, a senior at Homestead High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana
  Essay subject: Will Hurd, US Representative, Texas

- Weirui (Nicole) Tong, a junior at Naperville North High School in Naperville, Illinois
  Essay subject: Woodrow Mann, former Mayor of Little Rock, Arkansas