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## **Aquarion Water Company to bestow three \$500 prizes In Bridgeport public high school essay contest**

Aquarion Water Company is spreading its message of environmental stewardship to Bridgeport teens with an essay contest in the city's three public high schools. One winner from each school will be announced the first week of May — National Drinking Water Week — and each will receive a \$500 savings bond.

Students in grades 9-12 at Bassick, Central and Harding high schools will have the opportunity to write a 500-word essay that addresses the statement, "What I Would Do to Protect Our Water Supply." Each school will receive packets containing information on the contest guidelines and forms to accompany the essays. Submission dates are March 29 to April 19.

Aquarion President and CEO Charles V. Firlotte said the goal for this contest is to encourage students to learn more about water resources, as well as provide them with an extra incentive to practice their writing skills.

"To mark National Drinking Water Week, we are continuing to educate the public about water conservation and the value of the water we deliver to our customers," Firlotte said. "Aquarion does a great deal to protect its reservoirs and watershed, but if everyone took on a role in preserving water resources, the world would be much better off."

Anyone with questions about the essay contest may e-mail Public Relations Manager Lorraine Bukowski at [lbukowski@aquarionwater.com](mailto:lbukowski@aquarionwater.com)

Aquarion Water Company serves approximately 580,000 people in 39 communities throughout Connecticut. It is among the seven largest investor-owned water utility companies in the U.S., and the largest in New England.

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