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AWARDS APPLICATION
ESSAY TOPICS

Please write an essay in response to **one** of the questions below. The essay must be at least 250 words. Please list any references used.

1) Discuss and compare the post war treatment that the Vietnam Veterans received when returning home versus the returning veterans since that era:

- a. Cite specific historical or news related references.
- b. Explain why, if any, these differences existed, the reasons for, and what you feel would be proper.

2) In 1973, President Nixon abolished the military draft. Taking into consideration the events of September 11th and our nation's commitment to the war on terrorism, and the fact that less than 1% of the population currently serves in the all volunteer military and are experiencing multiple deployments:

- a. Should the U.S. reinstate the draft? (Explain your position)
- b. If the draft were to be reinstated, should it include both males and females? (Explain your position)
- c. Why or should some requirement for 'National Service' be required.