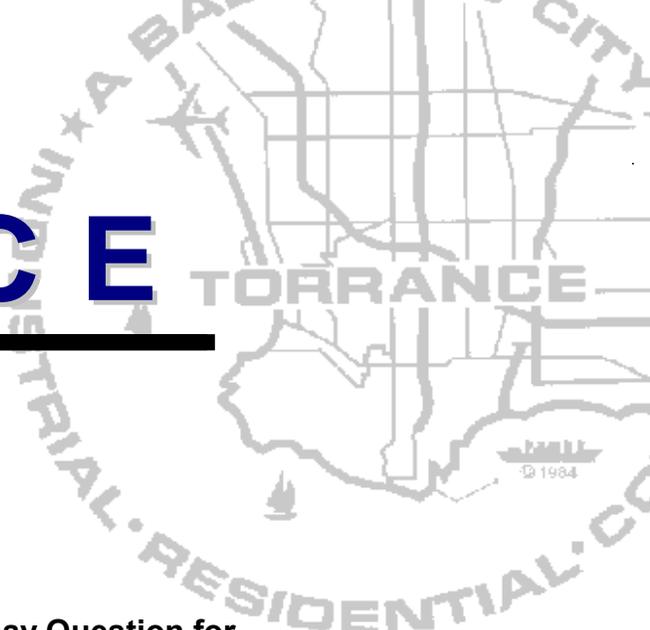


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### **Torrance Announces This Year's Essay Question for Students & Government Day Geared Toward Eighth Graders**

Torrance, Calif., February 5, 2013 – The City of Torrance announces the new topic for its 2013 Students & Government Day, a program to encourage youth participation in community affairs. Selected students will participate in Students & Government Day, which will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2013.

The City of Torrance encourages all eighth graders to apply for participation by submitting a 100-150 word essay on the prompt: **“The United States Congress is responsible for creating laws at the Federal level, while Torrance City Council is responsible for creating laws at the City level. Describe one law that you think Torrance City Council should create and how it would improve the City of Torrance and benefit citizens who live here.”**

Information and forms are available at local schools and online at [www.TorranceCA.Gov/Students.htm](http://www.TorranceCA.Gov/Students.htm). **Deadline for application is Tuesday, February 19, 2013.**

Selected students will engage in various activities including shadowing the mayor, council members and executive staff in their jobs, then act in those roles they shadowed. Participants will open a regularly-scheduled City Council meeting live on cable television later that night at 7 p.m. and conduct some official business for the City. For more information, please contact the City Manager's Office at (310) 618-5880.

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