



VERMONT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

## SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

At the beginning of 2018, the President of the United States will deliver a “State of the Union” speech to Congress, to report on the state of our country and outline his priorities for the coming year.

Each year, Senator Sanders invites Vermont’s high school students to write a 250-500 word essay focusing on what they believe are the major challenges facing our country, and how to solve them.

The deadline to submit an essay is **January 10, 2018**. The essays will be judged by a panel of teachers. The 20 finalists will be invited to participate in a roundtable discussion with Senator Sanders, and their essays will be published in the Congressional Record – the official archive of the U.S. Congress.

**For more information on the contest, or to submit an essay for consideration, please visit: [www.sanders.senate.gov/stateoftheunion](http://www.sanders.senate.gov/stateoftheunion) or call (800) 339-9834.**