



This I Believe October 2022 Details

This I Believe is NPR Illinois' annual essay program for Illinois high school seniors; An expression of belief on the verge of adulthood.

October marks the 17th class of high school seniors NPR Illinois will ask to share what they believe.

This I Believe was started by radio journalist Edward R. Murrow in 1951 to allow anyone able to distill the guiding principles by which they lived.

The Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise has partnered with NPR Illinois and provides a scholarship to the selected authors. The program began in 2007 and has been supported by the Rotary Club of Springfield Sunrise each year. The club provides each selected author with an award.



Last year, a virtual event was held to celebrate the chosen essayists and 16th year of the program. This year, another culminating event will occur (TBD).

The State Journal-Register supports the effort each year by printing the selected essays in the paper.

NPR Illinois will air the essays in their authors' voices two weeks in November (at approximately 7:45 am and 4:45 pm). The audio will also be streamed at nprillinois.org. Previous essays are available on the website at nprillinois.org under the "Community Voices" tab.

October 2022 DEADLINE & PROGRAM DATES

DATE	ITEM	NOTES
Sep 26	Essay Submissions Accepted	Go to nprillinois.org under the "Community Voices" tab
Oct 19	Essay Deadline (11:59:59 pm)	All essays sent to NPR Illinois
Oct 31 & Nov 1	Notifications made	Notifications made to students, families, teachers
Nov 7 - 11, Nov 14 - 18	Essays run on NPR Illinois	At approximately 7:45 am & 4:45 pm
Nov 30	Meet the Authors	More information to come
Dec 4 & Dec 11	Essays Published in the SJ-R	Authors essays and headshots in the paper