

Contest Rules:

- The essay contest is open to 4th and 5th grade students in public schools, private schools, and home school programs. Students involved in 4-H, PALS, and after school programs are also encouraged to participate.
- Essays must be handwritten in ink **or** be computer generated. They must be single-sided and fit on one sheet of paper.
- The essay must be between 100 to 300 words in length (using common MS Word “word count” methods for counting words, numbers and abbreviations).
- Essays will be judged on content (25 points), grammar and spelling (15 points), and neatness (10 points).
- Essays must include: student’s name, grade level, parent’s name, teacher’s name, school name and address, school phone number, and county on the back of the essay. Please do not identify the student on the front side.
- Entry deadline: Postmarked by April 1 and sent to the county Farm Bureau essay contest coordinator or to the Wisconsin Farm Bureau- Ag in the Classroom office.