

2018-19 Essay Contest Deadlines

These are **postmarked by** dates. If the date falls on a weekend, we have moved the date to the next business day - so it can be mailed on the next Monday.

April 1 - Essays due to county Farm Bureau essay coordinators

April 15 - County winners due to District Promotion and Education Chair with a report on how many essays you received

April 25 - District winners due to Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom from the WFBF Promotion and Education Committee

May 1 - State Winner Selection Packet (copies of the nine district winners and ballot) sent to WFBF Promotion and Education Committee

May 8 - Ballots must be returned to Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom

May to end of school year - District Winner Presentations by Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom, sponsors and county leadership.

Contest Rules

Contest Rules:

- The essay contest is open to fourth- and fifth-grade students in public, private 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.
- Essays will be judged on content (50 points), grammar and spelling (25 points) and originality and creativity (25 points).
- Essays must include: student's name, grade level, parent's name, teacher's name, school name and address, school phone number, teacher's email address and county on the back of the essay. Please do not identify the student on the front side.
- **Entry deadline - Postmarked by April 1, 2019**