

4-H Written Communication Contest 2024

"What 4-H Means to Me" essay (500 words Contest: minimum)

Rules and Guidelines

- 1. Entry must be the original work of the youth entering the contest. (Entries that are plagiarized will be disqualified.)
- 2. Entry must be family-friendly and age-appropriate.
- 3. Entry must be typed or neatly printed on 8.5"x11" paper.
- 4. Entry must contain the youth's name, address, e-mail address, age, date of birth, school, grade, and parent/guardian name.
- 5. Age category is determined by your age on December 31. Junior entries are for ages 9-13. Senior entries are for ages 14-18.
- 6. Two (2) junior entries and two (2) senior entries will be selected to advance to the State Written Communications Contest.
- Please submit entry by January 31, 2024 to christy.martin@uky.edu or to the following address:

Russell Co. Extension Office c/o Christy A. Martin 2688 S. Highway 127 Russell Springs, KY 42642

Notes:

An essay is a short piece of writing on a particular subject.

A general guideline is to have 5 paragraphs in an essay in the following format: Paragraph 1 — Introduction — should grab the readers attention with a "hook." Then highlight your thesis (statement of what you want to discuss) and the main points that you

want to write about.

Paragraph 2 — expand on 1st main point

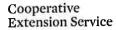
Paragraph 3 — expand on 2nd main point

Paragraph 4 — expand on 3rd main point

Paragraph 5 — Conclusion — give an allusion to the "hook" in the introduction and then

restate your thesis. A conclusion should be about 4 sentences.

The essay should be a minimum of 500 words.

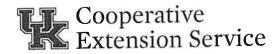












4-H WRITTEN COMMUNICATION CONTEST STATEMENT OF AUTHENTICITY

This is to verify that the piece I entered in the 4-H poetry contest is my original work. I further verify that this poem has never been published and has not been submitted to the 4-H poetry contest before this year.

I give my permission for my writing piece: To be submitted for judging. To be published in local and social medi To be displayed in the local community. To be displayed at the Kentucky State F	
4-H Member's Signature	Parent/Guardian/Teacher Signature

Date

