

Put on your thinking caps and join the Nebraska Pork Producers Association for the Annual Summer Writing Contest for your chance to win fabulous prizes while learning about Nebraska's pork industry. NPPA wants all students who have completed grades third through sixth during the 2009-2010 school year to write an essay for our Summer Writing Contest. Creativity and content is most important, but be sure to check your grammar and have tons of fun too. View the entry details below then [print out the entry form](#). All essays must be postmarked by September 1, 2010.

Contest Information

- Essay must be 600 words or less and must include a final word count.
 - Essay must be written in English.
- Essay must be typewritten or computer printed (handwritten essays will not be judged).
 - Essay must be submitted on white paper, stapled and with pages in order.
 - Essay must reflect the contestant's own writing and original thought.
 - Only one essay may be submitted by contestant.
- All essays must be written including the theme of "pigs" and the "Nebraska State Fair."

Eligibility

Each contestant must be in grades third through sixth during the 2009-2010 academic year and be a resident of Nebraska.

Judging

Creativity: Was the writer imaginative in developing a subject or story? Does it hold the readers' attention and interest?

Content: Is the content of the essay relative to the subject? Is the content consistent with the apparent theme?

Grammar: Are the sentences and paragraphs correct? Are there misspelled words? Is the punctuation correct?

Prizes

There will be two age divisions: 3rd-4th grade and 5th-6th grade. Prizes will be awarded to the top two entries in each age division. Each applicant will receive a Pork Kid's Cookbook and additional prizes.

How do I enter?

Send Registration Form and Essay to:
Nebraska Pork Producers Association
Attn: Summer Writing Contest
7441 O Street, Suite 104
Lincoln, Neb. 68510

- All essays must be postmarked by September 1, 2010 and will become the property of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association and may be used in promotional efforts and published on Hog Blog and the NPPA website.
- All entries must be accompanied by a signed [entry form](#) providing the writer's full name, address, phone number, grade level, date of birth and final word count.
 - So go "HOG WILD!" There are sure to be some s"pork"tacular stories out there!