

FEA ESSAY WRITING

Content Purpose

The purpose of the essay contest is to provide students with an opportunity to express their views on current topic in education. The topic for the 2009 essay contest is as follows:

How can we, as future educators, energize the future, and why is this important?

Eligibility

- Limited to two student entries per school
- Entry form must be submitted
- Entrants grant the conference the right to use and publish the submission in print, online, or in any other media without compensation
- Entrants grant the FEA state organization the right to post photos of students for promotional purposes on the state FEA website

Procedures

- Send in your essay on or before April 8, 2009 to:

Charleon Jeffries
College of Education
FEA State Director
123 Chambers Building
University park, PA 16802

- Late entries will not be accepted

Guidelines

- Essay must range from 300 to 500 words. Every word of the essay is counted. This does not include the title or works cited.
- Essay must be single spaced with a double space between paragraphs and written in English.
- Contestants must cite all their sources of information by using APA format for the Works Cited page.

Scoring

- Adhere to guidelines
- Whether the essay is on the state topic (essays not on the stated topic will not be judged)
- Whether the essay has a clear thesis, is on topic, has supporting details, and includes a conclusion that restates the thesis and gives the reader something to remember about the text
- Whether the ideas expressed are meaningful and important
- Whether the content is clear and convincing
- Whether the essay includes elements of creativity
- Whether correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and sentence structure are used.



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Student Name: _____ Grade _____

School Name: _____

City: _____ Phone: _____

Advisor's Name: _____ Advisor's E-mail: _____

**** The student agrees not to share the speech topic with other students after his/her speech is finished.**

Submit Entry by April 8, 2009.