

2024 Sheri Capehart Animal Essay Contest

Animal
Essay Contest

23rd Annual

Contest is open to students who live in Arlington, are in 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th grade and attend either public, private, or home school.

Contest begins Monday, February 5, 2024.

Essay entries may be submitted beginning on Monday, February 26, 2024 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1, 2024.

You Could Win!

- Entries may be hand-delivered to the Water Customer Service Desk at City Hall, 101 W. Abram St. or South Service Center, 1100 SW Green Oaks Blvd. (8 a.m. - 5 p.m.) or the Animal Services Center, 1000 S.E. Green Oaks Blvd. (10 a.m.- 6 p.m. Mon-Fri). No hand-delivered entries accepted after 5 p.m. Friday, March 1, 2024.
- Essays will be judged on the elements of effective writing: Focus and Coherence, Organization, Development of Ideas, Voice and Conventions. The decision of the Judges is final.
- Teachers may mail or hand-deliver all entries from their class, grade or school. If you are a winner, your essay must be emailed in a typed format for website purposes to Brittany.Clark@arlingtontx.gov. Address mailed entries to the City of Arlington Animal Services Center, 1000 SE Green Oaks Blvd, 76018.
- For more information, parents should consult their child's teacher; or visit www.arlingtontx.gov/animal/essaycontest



Essay Topics:

- Grade 3:** How can we coexist with wildlife?
- Grade 4:** What is migration and why do some animals migrate?
- Grade 5:** How are animals affected by the environment?
- Grade 6:** Which animal species is endangered from loss of habitat and what can we do to help?

Essay Contest Requirements:

- Only one essay per student.
- Previous winners ineligible.
- Submitted material must be original, 500 words or less, typed or handwritten, and stapled individually.
- **Cover sheet must be attached to essay, and contain: Student's name, address & phone, school, grade, teacher's name; and the names of your two favorite books.**
- **Students must reside within the City of Arlington.**
- Remember that plagiarism is never acceptable and will result in immediate disqualification.

Essay Contest Prizes:

Each winner will receive a \$100 savings account compliments of EECU, Spring Creek Barbeque and the City of Arlington

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