



Alabama A&M and Auburn Universities

Lauderdale County

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Farm City Essay

Theme: "Farmers Care – For Animals and You"



www.alfafarmers.org

Age Divisions: 7th – 9th grade 10th – 12th grade

Essay Contest Guidelines

Theme description: Explore the relationship between farm and city with a special focus on the way farmers care for their animals and our food. Learn more about the steps farmers take to make sure they raise healthy animals and produce safe food for our families.

- Write an essay and earn money!
- Requirements: 500-1000 words, typed, double-spaced, 8.5 x 11 white paper.
- This essay can be used for the Public Speaking Contest (optional).
- Put your Name, School, and Grade on a cover sheet and turn your essay in to the 4-H Office by **November 13th**.

Judging Criteria

Content Title

- Topic sentence
- Sticking to the topic
- Accuracy of information
- Supporting Details
- Appearance
- Originality
- Reader Appeal

Mechanics

- Grammar
- Punctuation
- Sentence Structure
- Capitalization
- Spelling

Organization

- Clarity
- Flow of essay
- Conclusion

Awards

1. Every essay receives a participation ribbon.
2. **First, Second, and Third place awards** in each division in Lauderdale County are sponsored by the **Lauderdale County Farmers Federation Women's Committee**.
3. **1st place state award: \$300 cash & \$300 cash to student's classroom**
2nd place state award: \$200 cash & \$200 cash to student's classroom