

Texas Regional Essay/ Scholarship Rules

The theme for the 2014 essay is “Dig Deeper: Mysteries in the Soil”

On or before April 1, 2014, each essay will need to be mail to your area Chairman:

Area I: Joan McCasland
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Area IV: Charlotte Graham
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Area V:

Each area will select one essay to then be sent to the Texas SWCD Vice President by May 1st to select a \$500 winner and a \$300 winner:

Kelly Wren
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The first place essay will also go onto South Central judging by July 1st.

Essay Format and Qualifications-

A. Title page information-

1. Title
2. Name of contestant
3. Complete address (so we can contact you)
4. Telephone number
5. High School attending
6. Date

B. Information Page

1. Parent(s) name and occupation
2. How you qualify for the contest. (Are you a child or grandchild of a Conservation District Director or Employee?)

3. College Plans
 4. List your High School activities that you were in involved in.
 5. List your hobbies, awards, goals or interest.
 6. Age
 7. Your interest in conservation.
- C. 500 word essay, typed written, double spaced on the theme “Where Does Your Water Shed?”, be grammatically correct, and be the original words of the contestant.

Here is some resource information for your applicants to look at.

Resource Information:

Ag in the Classroom - <http://www.agclassroom.org/>

4-H Virtual Farm - <http://www.sites.ext.vt.edu/virtualfarm/>

National Ag Library - <http://www.nal.usda.gov/>

Junior Master Gardeners - <http://www.imgkids.us/>

NACD - <http://www.nacdnet.org/education/resources/>

Know Your Farmer Know Your Food - <http://www.usda.gov/knowyourfarmer>

National Agriculture Statics Services - http://www.nass.usda.gov/Data_and_Statistics/

Careers in Agriculture - <http://www.agday.org/education/careers.php>

Gardening on your school site <http://www.chicagobotanic.org/schoolgarden/index.php>

<http://urbanext.illinois.edu/firstgarden/planning/school.cfm>

<http://www.nationalgardenmonth.org/index.php?page=storyline-school>

<http://www.growtolearn.org/>

Farm to School programs - <http://www.farmtoschool.org/publications.php>

This is the online educational companion to the Smithsonian Institution's traveling exhibition *Key Ingredients: America by Food*. Explore the two ingredients that are key to American cuisine – regional traditions and international influences. <http://www.keyingredients.org/>

Do you have a clue where your food comes from? <http://urbanext.illinois.edu/food/>