



Brazoria County Fair Association

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SPEECH & ESSAY ENTRY FORM

Student Name _____ Student Grade Level _____

School Name _____ Instructor Name _____

School Address _____

School Phone # (_____) _____ Speech _____ or Essay _____

Entry Deadline: Friday, September 30, 2011

Contest Date: Sunday, October 9, 2011

Time/Place: 2:00 pm/Entertainment Hall

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SPEECH & ESSAY CONTEST

-Chairman-
Michelle Doss

ENTRY DEADLINE: Wednesday, September 28, 2011
CONTEST DATE: Sunday, October 9, 2011
TIME: 2:00 pm
PLACE: Entertainment Hall

SPEECH CONTEST GUIDELINES

Purpose: To provide Brazoria County youth in grades 6-12 with the opportunity to express themselves and display their public speaking skills.

Topic for 2011: "VOLUNTEERS & SPONSORS SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH WILL BUILD A BETTER FUTURE FOR ALL."

The theme for the 2011 Brazoria County Fair determines the topic for the speech and essay contest. Instruct your students to reflect upon ways that fair participation can provide family and community traditions that are important for their future. Any duplicate entry will be disqualified from one contest.

- 1. Format and Requirements:** Entries shall be 2-3 minute prepared speeches. An in-depth outline that details as much of the speech as possible should be turned in by the entry deadline. The speech does not have to be memorized: note cards are permitted. *If a student chooses to compete in both the speech and essay contest, two completely different entries must be submitted.
- 2. Eligibility:** Any student enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2011, in a Brazoria County public school, Christian school, or home school.
- 3. Evaluation and Scoring:** All speeches may be submitted to the Brazoria County Fair Association. A committee of qualified, independent judges using a standard critique sheet will evaluate the speeches. **Speeches less than two minutes or more than three minutes will be penalized.** This competition will take place on October 09, 2011 in the Entertainment Hall promptly at 2:00 pm.

****All students MUST attend the competition AND awards ceremony in order to receive awards.** In the event of family death, doctor verified illness, participation in Texas Education Agency Sanctioned Activity, or Scholastic ineligibility, special permission may be granted by Committee.**

Deadline for Entries: Entries must be in the Fair Office by **Wednesday, September, 28, 2011.** Mailing Address: BCFA, P.O. Box 818, Angleton, TX 77516

Awards: Each participant will receive a participation ribbon. Overall First, Second, and Third place winners at will receive an award. The awards presentation will take place immediately following the Speech contest on October 09, 2011 in the Entertainment Hall.

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ESSAY CONTEST GUIDELINES

Purpose: To provide Brazoria County youth in Grades 6-12 with the opportunity to express their creative writing skills.

Topic for 2011: "VOLUNTEERS & SPONSORS SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH WILL BUILD A BETTER FUTURE FOR ALL"

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- 4. Format and Requirements:** Entries may be narrative, reflective, or descriptive. All essays must be 300 to 500 words, typed and double-spaced. A separate cover sheet with the student's name, grade level, school name and instructor's name must accompany each entry. Do not put the student's name on the essay page(s). *If a student chooses to compete in both the speech and essay contest, two completely different entries must be submitted. Any duplicate entry will be disqualified from one contest.
- 5. Eligibility:** Any student enrolled in grades 6-12 as of September 1, 2011, in a Brazoria County school, Christian school, or home school.
- 6. Evaluation and Scoring:** All essays may be submitted to the Brazoria County Fair Association. A committee of qualified, independent judges using a standard critique sheet will evaluate those papers. The judges will not know the identity of the contestants.

Deadline for Entries: Entries must be in the Fair Office by **Wednesday, September, 28, 2011.** Mailing Address: BCFA, P.O. Box 818, Angleton, TX 77516.

Awards: Each participant will receive a participation ribbon. First, Second, and Third place winners at each grade level will receive an award. The awards presentation will take place immediately following the Speech contest on October 09, 2011 in the Entertainment Hall.