

4-H Written Communication Contest 2024

Contest: Song Writing

Rules and Guidelines

 Entry must be the original work of the youth entering the contest. (Entries that are plagiarized will be disqualified.)

2. Entry must be family-friendly and age-appropriate.

3. Entry must be typed or neatly printed on 8.5"x11" paper.

4. Entry must contain the youth's name, address, e-mail address, age, date of birth, school, grade, and parent/guardian name.

5. Age category is determined by your age on December 31. Junior entries are for ages 9-13. Senior entries are for ages 14-18.

 Two (2) junior entries and two (2) senior entries will be selected to advance to the State Written Communications Contest.

7. Please submit entry by <u>January 31, 2024</u> to *christy.martin@uky.edu* or to the following address:

Russell Co. Extension Office c/o Christy A. Martin 2688 S. Highway 127 Russell Springs, KY 42642

Notes:

 A stanza is similar to a paragraph in a book. One or two stanzas make up a verse in a song and usually give the details of the song. A song usually contains 2-3 stanzas. Sometimes stanzas contain rhyming elements like in poetry; rhyming words usually occur at the end of the lines but not always.

The chorus is a section of lines that are generally the "catchy" part of the song. The chorus often contains the title of the song.

 Songs can be written to original music that you compose. Songs could also use the format and music of another song (i.e. a children's song, a popular song, or a religious song).

Song should follow the following format:

Title

Verse 1 (1 or 2 stanzas)

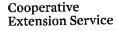
Chorus

Verse 2 (1 or 2 stanzas)

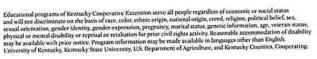
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Bridge (optional)



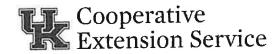












4-H WRITTEN COMMUNICATION CONTEST STATEMENT OF AUTHENTICITY

This is to verify that the piece I entered in the 4-H poetry contest is my original work. I further verify that this poem has never been published and has not been submitted to the 4-H poetry contest before this year.

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- To be submitted for judging.
- To be published in local and social media. \Diamond
- To be displayed in the local community.
- To be displayed at the Kentucky State Fair. \Diamond

4-H Member's Signature	Parent/Guardian/Teacher Signature
Date	



