



STATEWIDE STORY WRITING AND ILLUSTRATION CONTEST  
RULES

**1. Eligibility** "It's Showtime!" Statewide Story Writing and Illustration Contest is open to Florida students in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade. Grades K through 2 will be judged as one category and grades 3 through 5 will be judged as another category. (Children of employees of the Florida Lottery, Florida State Fair, and WEDU, are not eligible.) All entries must be received no later than January 31, 2008.

**2. Entry Guidelines.** Only one entry per person will be accepted. Stories can be factual or fictional, and must be related to the 2008 Florida State Fair theme, "It's Showtime!" - by incorporating the theme, concepts, experiences, or ideas that involve the value of learning within the story.

- # Entries from students in Kindergarten through Second Grade should contain 50 to 150 words and no less than 3 original illustrations.
- # Entries from students in Third through Fifth Grades should contain 100 to 250 words and no less than 3 original illustrations.
- # Illustrations should be clear and colorful; computer-generated art is **not** acceptable.
- # Use one side of the paper only. Include a small page number (in pencil) on the lower right corner of the **back** of each sheet.
- # Text should be printed, written legibly or typewritten. *It is permissible for an adult to type or print a child's manuscript. Children who cannot write may dictate their story to an adult.*

**The entrant's name, address, phone number, and title of the entry should also be legibly written or typed on an attached page and stapled to the entry.**

The **Florida Lottery, Florida State Fair, Crayola, and WEDU** are not responsible for late, lost, stolen, misdirected, damaged, mutilated, incomplete or illegible entries or postage-due mail.

**3 Entry Forms.** Each entry must include the official Entry Form, which requires the signature of a sponsoring teacher/parent confirming origination of the work, and a parent or guardian's signature granting permission to use the entry for promotional purposes.

**4. Entry Returns.** The contest administrators will make every effort, but are not required, to return entries only if accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope of the appropriate *size with adequate postage.*

**5. Judging, Awards & Notification.** Entries will be judged on originality, creative expression, storytelling and integration of copy and illustrations using the theme: "It's Showtime!" Decisions of the judges are final.

Winners in the Grade K-2 Category will receive the following prizes: First Place, a \$2,000 Savings Bond; Second Place, a \$1,500 Savings Bond; Third Place, a \$750 Savings Bond; Fourth Place, a \$500 Savings Bond; Fifth Place, a \$250 Savings Bond. Winners in the Grade 3-5 Category will receive the following prizes: First Place, a \$2,000 Savings Bond; Second Place, a \$1,500 Savings Bond; Third Place, a \$750 Savings Bond; Fourth Place, a \$500 Savings Bond; Fifth Place, a \$250 Savings Bond.

**Notification of winners will take place no later than February 04, 2008.** Contest finalists and their families will be invited to attend an awards ceremony at the **Children's Stage presented by the Tampa Tribune** at the Florida State Fair on **Saturday, February 16, 2008 at 3:00pm.** Winning entries will be posted at the Florida Lottery booth in the Expo Hall at the Florida State Fair.

**6. Rights.** Winners grant to the **Florida Lottery, Florida State Fair, Crayola and WEDU** the right to use their names and likenesses in advertising and promotion without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law.

All entries, and any copyrights therein, become the sole property of the **Florida State Fair.** By entering, entrants agree to abide by the above stated rules, and warrant and represent that their entry is their original work and does not infringe upon or violate rights of any third party, and grant to the **Florida State Fair** the right to edit, publish, promote, and otherwise use their entry materials without permission, no royalties will be paid at this or any time.

For entry forms or information, contest icon or call 1-888-249-4



click on the "Florida State Fair"

You may also pick up contest icon at the local office, WEDU, or the Florida Lottery office.  
**This contest icon is available at the Florida Lottery**

local, Florida Lottery district office.  
**Florida Lottery**



# ENTRY FORM

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Social Security Number (for savings bond prize distribution use only) \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Grade: Kindergarten    1st Grade    2nd Grade    3rd Grade    4th Grade    5th Grade

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Schools Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Story \_\_\_\_\_

I warrant that the text and illustrations of this entry are the work of \_\_\_\_\_ and that he/she alone is responsible for his/her creation. This is a current composition created by this child for this contest. I certify that the above named student is in the \_\_\_\_\_ grade.

Signature of Teacher/Parent \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

By entering the Florida State Fair **"It's Showtime!"** Statewide Story Writing and Illustration Awards Contest, I hereby give permission for Florida Lottery, Florida State Fair, Crayola and WEDU to make such use of his/her work as it wishes, including (but not limited to) display, promotion, reproduction and distribution in all media and the right to create, perform, display and distribute derivative works thereof. I give Florida Lottery, Florida State, Crayola and WEDU the right to use his/her name, likeness and biographical material in connection with the distribution of the work and derivative works thereof.

I hereby release, discharge and agree to save harmless Florida Lottery, Florida State Fair, Crayola, WEDU and Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, sponsors, advertising agencies of sponsor and the officers, directors, employees, licensees, successors, and assigns of the foregoing, from any liability or claimed liability in connection with my child's contest submission.

I acknowledge that I have read this consent and release prior to signing it and that I understand its contents.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**All mailed entries must be postmarked by January 31, 2008.** Entries should be sent to:

Florida State Fair Contest  
WEDU TV  
1300 North Boulevard  
Tampa, FL 33607

**Hand delivered entries must be dropped off between January 3, 2008 and January 31, 2008.** Entries may be hand delivered to the Florida State Fair Administration office or the studios of WEDU between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

**2008 Florida State Fair      February 7 through 18      1-800-345-FAIR**

