Idaho Science and Engineering Festival (ISEF) 2012

Literature and Art Contest

Grades 3-8

The theme for the 2012 ISEF Literature and Art Contest is “How Science affects me”

The guidelines for this contest are based on the National PTA Reflections Program, and have been modified and used with permission.

General Student Participation Rules

Grade Divisions
Student may enter the ISEF Literature and Art Contest based on their grade in the 2011-2012 school year. Home-schooled children should choose the closest grade level at time of submission.

Deadlines
All works must be received by the ISEF committee by April 20, 2012 in order to be considered for judging. For mailed entries, please allow time for US Postal service delivery.

For mailed entries:

For Hand delivery:

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921 S. 8th, MS 8007
Idaho State University
Pocatello, ID 83209

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Idaho State University
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Originality
Each entry must be the original work of one student only. An adult may not alter the creative integrity of a student’s work. Because the program is designed to encourage and recognize each student’s individual creativity, help from an adult or collaboration with other students is not allowed. Use of copyrighted material is prohibited. Plagiarism is defined as taking and using another person’s ideas, writings, or inventions as one’s own. Plagiarized entries will be disqualified and returned to the students.

Judging
All entries are judged on artistic merit, creativity, mastery of the medium and interpretation of the theme. A well-developed concept is more important than technique. Entries will be judged primarily on how well the student uses his or her artistic vision to portray the theme. All decisions of judges are final.
Literature and Art Guidelines

Description

A literature entry may be a work of fiction or nonfiction. Prose, poetry, and drama are all accepted. An art entry must be an original print, drawing, painting, collage, photographic collage or computer-generated artwork. The entry must relate to the ISEF Literature and Art Contest theme.

Literature entrants are not to borrow from copyrighted material.

Presentation

Literature entries

- Entries must not exceed 2,000 words.
- One original and two copies of the entry are to be submitted.
- Entries may be handwritten or typed, but must be legible.
- Collections of poems or short stories are not accepted.
- Entries are to reflect grade-appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- Student may have their entries typed by another person as long as the original work or a copy of the original work is attached.
- Students for whom English is not their first language may submit literature entries in their own language. An interpretive translation in English must accompany the entry.
- Translators should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the student’s original work.

Art entries

- All art must be flat and may not be more than 3/8” thick. This includes all two-dimensional materials and images, including small, flat items (such as string, fabric, and screening) that have maximum surface contact with the face of the image. Nothing three-dimensional (noodles, beans, beads, boxes, etc.) may extend off the surface of a work.
- No art may exceed 8 ½ x 14” (legal size), including a mat.
- Entries may be submitted on paper, canvas board, cardboard, hot or cold pressboard, or canvas (not to exceed 3/8” thickness).
- Mount all paper and canvas entries on sturdy cardboard mats, but not in wood, metal, plastic, or glass frames.
- Protecting the work with shrink-wrap or a transparent plastic cover is optional but highly recommended.
- Lamination is discouraged because it can permanently damage the surface of the artwork.
- Works not accepted:
  - Sculpture, ceramic, or other 3-D artwork
  - Stained glass and jewelry
  - Reproductions or enlargements of other artwork
Format

Literature entries

- Submit Literature entries on 8 ½ x 11” paper.
- Entries should be printed single-sided only.
- Number all pages.
- Please do not mount the pages.
- If more than one page is part of the entry, please clip the pages together. No staples, report covers or folders, please.
- Label each page of the Literature entry on the bottom right corner with the student’s full name, grade and school.

Art Entries

- Label the artwork on the back with the student’s full name, grade and school.

Student Entry Form

- Please complete all information on the student entry form. Entries without completed forms will not be considered.

Packing and sending

- Pack all entries in a large manila envelope, along with the Student Entry Form.
- Literature entries should be placed in envelopes no smaller than 8 ½ x 11” and art entries no smaller than 8 ½ x 14”.
- DO NOT FOLD YOUR ENTRIES.
- Mail your entries to: OR Hand delivery address:

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- All entries must be received by April 20, 2012 at 5 PM. Please allow time for mail delivery.

QUESTIONS? Email us at IdahoSEF@isu.edu
IDAHO SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FESTIVAL
LITERATURE AND ART CONTEST
STUDENT ENTRY FORM

Directions: Completely fill out the form down to and including the required signatures. Leave the area at the bottom free for office use. Fill out and sign the release form on the next page.

Student’s first name____________________M.I._____ Last name_________________________

Address________________________________________________________________________

City________________________________State_____________________ZIP________________

Phone_______________________________ Email_____________________________________

Title of work: ___________________________________________________________________

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I grant to the Idaho Science and Engineering Festival irrevocable, unlimited license to display, copy and publish my work submitted for the ISEF Literature and Art Contest. ISEF is not responsible for loss or damaged works. Entries may not be returned. I affirm that this is my own original work. In the event that my entry is chosen for an award, I grant the Idaho Science and Engineering Festival license to publish my name on their dedicated website and report the results to the media. I understand that the submission of my entry into the Literature and Art Contest constitutes acceptance of the above condition.

Full signature of student       Date

Signature of parent/legal guardian      Date

Office use only

Date received: 

Time received: 

Received by:
Idaho Science and Engineering Festival

PHOTO, VIDEO, AND COMMENT RELEASE

Please Print

NAME: ____________________________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________________________

PHONE: ________________________________ E-MAIL: _________________________________

GENERAL RELEASE

IF UNDER 18 YEARS OLD:

Student’s Name: ________________________________

I am the Parent/Guardian of the above named student who is under eighteen years of age and am fully competent to sign this release. I hereby grant ISU and ISEF the absolute and irrevocable right and permission, with respect to photographs and videos taken and/or comments made by the above named student or in which student may be included with others, to copyright for same; to use, reuse and publish the same in whole or in part in any and all media including use on the world wide web, now or hereafter, and for any purpose whatever for illustration, promotion, art, advertising and trade, and if appropriate, to use student’s name and pertinent education and/or biographical facts as UTSA chooses.

I hereby release and discharge ISU and ISEF from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of photographs, videos and/or comments, including without limitation any and all claims for libel or invasion of privacy.

I have read the foregoing and fully understand its contents. This release shall be binding on me and my heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

Has my permission ☐ Does not have my permission ☐

Signed by Parent or Guardian: _____________________________ Date: __________

Witness: _____________________________ Date: __________