



FAQs



2017 PBS KIDS Writers Contest Frequently Asked Questions

What's new this year?

There is no national contest this year, but don't let that stop you from entering. We'll still be awarding fun prizes at each of our three stations. We look forward to reading your entries! Also, this year all winners from each Idaho region will win a \$100 contribution to their IDEal - Idaho 529 College Savings Program Account. If you don't already have one of these accounts, the folks at IDEal Idaho College Savings Program can help you set one up.

Do I need to bind my story?

No. We will accept your story whether it is bound, stapled, or simply paper-clipped. You may want to consider ease and cost of mailing when finishing your story. Also, keep in mind we scan all winning stories, and we prefer pages that are no larger than 8 ½ x 11 inches.

Where do I mail my entry to?

Idaho Public Television
1455 N Orchard St
Boise, ID 83706

What happens if I win?

You will be treated to an award ceremony in or near your hometown where you will be honored for your achievement and win fun prizes. You will be encouraged to invite your family, friends, teacher and neighbors to the event to help you celebrate! It will be held in mid-May at a location and time to be determined.

Will my story be returned to me?

For individual or family entries: All entries that have a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** included will be returned, along with a Certificate of Participation. We suggest that the envelope be 9"x12" or larger (to accommodate the certificate) with a minimum of \$0.98 postage for 1 oz. Other rates can be found at www.usps.com. We can put multiple entries in one return envelope, just be sure to let us know which ones go together.

For school entries: please see the Teacher Tips on our Contest webpage.

When will my entry be returned?

We will make every effort to return entries by May 27th, but just let us know if you need yours earlier.

More questions? Call either (800) 543-6868 or (208) 373-7220 or email Cindy.Lunte@idahoptv.org