



Teacher Tips

2017 PBS Kids Writers Contest

Entries:

- Read the Rules before beginning your stories.
- Fill out one **Entry Form** with your name, school information and signature **BEFORE** making copies for your students. If you need a blank entry form, you can find one on our website at www.idahoptv.org/kids. Please make sure to include your contact information so we can reach you if needed.
- We welcome handwritten stories from your students. However, for judging purposes it is very helpful to have the story accompanied by a sheet of paper with the typed words. Perhaps you have a parent or classroom volunteer who can do this.
- If at all possible, please limit pages to 8 ½ x 11, and note that stories need to be one side of the page only.
- We will accept **all** entries for judging. If you are not able to get **parent signatures**, do not let this stop you from submitting entries. We will send all students a Certificate of Participation, and contact parents of winners for signature if necessary.
- A **class list of entries** is very helpful so we can make sure we have all of your stories before mailing your envelope back to you. **We will make every effort to return entries to you by May 23rd**. Please let us know if you need them any earlier.

Mailing:

- Unlike in past years, we are not asking you to send us postage to return your entries. Please make sure you have included your mailing address, e-mail address and phone number so we can reach you if needed.

Questions?

- Read our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at idahoptv.org/kids/writers.cfm
- Call 1(800) 543-6868 or (208) 373-7220 or email Cindy at Cindy.Lunte@idahoptv.org