

CONTEST GUIDELINES

ILLUSTRATED STORY

October 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023

YOUNG
WRITERS
CONTEST

An illustrated story is a short work of fiction or nonfiction that contains associated visual illustrations, created through any choice of mediums, that enhance the written narrative.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

- Entrants must be in preschool through twelfth grade.
- Entrants must be a legal resident of Kentucky.
- Only one entry per category.
- Only single-author stories written within the current school year are eligible.
- Children of contest judges and KET employees are not eligible.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

- Complete the online entry form at KET.org/WritersContest.
- Entries may be uploaded via the online entry form, or mailed to KET:
KET Young Writers Contest
600 Cooper Drive
Lexington, KY 40502
- Entries must be submitted digitally, or postmarked by, midnight EST Friday, March 31, 2023.
- KET is not responsible for postage-due mail or late, lost, misdirected, damaged, incomplete, or illegible entries.

WORD COUNT

- Stories may not exceed 600 words.

STORY FORMAT & ILLUSTRATIONS

- Student's full name and grade level must be included on a cover or title page, or at the top of the first page.
- All work should be on the front of the page.
- Each entry must include at least five original illustrations.
- Illustrations may be created through a variety of mediums, processes, or materials including, but not limited to: crayon, paint, watercolor, marker, paperwork, original photography, student generated computer graphics, etc.
- All characters and illustrations must be original. Copyrighted names and images are not allowed.
- Nonfiction work based on research should include a list of sources used.
- Students may conference with parents, teachers, and peers on their work.

CONTENT

- Entry content, topics, and themes must be school appropriate.

CONTEST RIGHTS

Submission of the Entry Form constitutes permission for KET to use the participant's name, likeness, biographical information, information and materials contained in the entry form, photographs, and any statements or remarks made about the contest in advertising and promotion without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law. By entering, entrants agree to abide by the above stated rules, and warrant that their entry is their original work and does not infringe upon or violate rights of any third party, and grant to KET the right to edit, publish, promote, and otherwise use their entry materials without permission, notice or compensation. No royalties will be paid at this or any time. By submitting an entry and Entry Form, each participant (and parent or guardian) assigns all right, title, and interest in and to the entry and Entry Form to KET and warrants that the participant (and parent or guardian) has the authority to assign such right, title, and interest. In the event that any applicable law requires certain formalities to be fulfilled to effectuate such grant to rights, each participant (and parent or guardian) agrees to cooperate with KET to achieve fulfillment of such formalities. By submitting an Entry Form, each participant (and parent or guardian) agrees to be bound by these Contest Rules. Each participant (and parent or guardian) agrees to release and hold KET and its employees, officers, directors, shareholders, agents, representatives, subsidiaries, parent companies, or other affiliated companies harmless from any and all damages, losses, claims and liabilities arising out of participation in the Contest or resulting from acceptance or claiming of any prize here under. To be eligible, an entrant must be a legal resident of Kentucky. Sponsor reserves the right to disqualify ineligible entries; such entries will not be returned. KET reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate, suspend or otherwise cancel the Contest at any time. Income and all other taxes are the responsibility of the prize recipient. KET is not responsible for any expenses incurred in connection with participation in the Contest. Based on the number and quality of entries, KET reserves the right to combine grade levels into a grade band for judging and award purposes.

