



Creative Writing Showmanship Contest



1. Entries should be informative, and if appropriate, entertaining. Entries should not be research papers. It should be the writer's purpose to create an entry that would be suitable for sharing with other junior showmen.
2. This contest is available to the following ages, 8 years of age as of 4/15/2020 or 21 years old of age as January 1, 2020.
3. Submitted entries need to have the word count calculated on their cover sheet along with juniors name, address, phone number, e-mail address and birth date.
4. It is the discretion of the Southeast PA Beef Classic Jackpot Show committee evaluate and score the entries.
5. Judges will evaluate the written works as directed by a 50 point score sheet. Entries will be scored on grammar, spelling, organization and content. Points will be deducted on entries that are either too short or too long. Each judge shall total their score and rank the contestants in numerical order on the basis of their score. (Highest score first, lowest score last.)
The rankings (not the score) of the three judges shall be added for each entry, and the final placing determined by the lowest composite rankings. Actual scores will be used only to break a tie. Only 1 winner will be awarded the 2020 belt buckle.
6. The reason for this contest is to award the 2020 Champion Showman Belt Buckle due to the cancellation of the 2020 show. The object is to let our exhibitors know that we feel terrible for the cancellation and want you all to know we care and look forward to a safe and future show in 2021.
7. The topic for the essay is: In 500 words or less... **What is making you a better showman while you are unable to show due to the Covid-19 situation?**
8. Entries must be e-mail submitted or postmarked by **May 15, 2020**. Entries can be e-mailed to sepabeefclassic@gmail.com or mailed to **Jamie Brozman 354 Township Line Rd. Nazareth, PA 18064**.

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Contestant Name: _____

Division: _____

Lowest Highest

1. Content 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Did the writer attribute any sources?
 Did the writer focus on the assigned topic?
Comments:

2. Organization 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Is the entry easy to read and follow?
 Does the information flow in an orderly style?
Comments:

3. Style 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Do the sentence lengths and types vary?
 Is the entry free of spelling, grammar and punctuation errors?
Comments:

4. Length & Guidelines 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Are any other guidelines broken?
 Did the writer adhere to the length guidelines?
 Is the entry double-spaced with page numbers?
Comments:

5. Overall Effectiveness 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Did the writing entertain and/or educate the reader?
 Is it written in a way that is easy to understand and follow?
Comments:

Length: _____

Total Points: _____

*1/2 pt will be deducted for each 50 words either under or over in length.

Judge: _____

Ranking: _____