

St. Tammany Parish Fair

2023 Essay Contest Rules

Topic: How has St. Tammany Parish Fair evolved through the years?

Rules and Regulations:

- 1. Essay must contain between 500 and 800 words.
- 2. Name of contestant MUST NOT be written on the essay but must be written on a separate sheet and clipped, not stapled, to the essay.
- 3. On a separate sheet, contestant should follow this format: Name, Address, Grade, Phone, Parent's Name, School Name, and St. Tammany Parish Fair
- 4. Essay may be handwritten or typed.
- 5. Spelling, grammar, phraseology, general interest, continuity and adherence to theme will be determining factors for selecting the winning essay.
- 6. The categories: A. Grades 6-8; B. Grades 9-12
- 7. Information used from sources should be acknowledged in a bibliography.
- 8. Pictures or diagrams can be included within the essay or in appropriate appendix.
- 9. Criteria for judging: Content (adherence to theme) – 40% Grammar (punctuation, capitalization) – 25% Continuity (introduction, body, sentence structure, conclusion) – 20% Spelling – 15%
- 10. Essay Prizes (at local level) 1st \$100.00 2nd \$75.00 3rd \$50.00
- 11. All essays become the property of St. Tammany Parish Fair. The top three winners in each category will proceed to compete in the state level at the Louisiana Association of Fairs and Festivals Convention held in February 2024.
- 12. Deadline to enter is Wednesday, September 13th.

You may submit your essay either by:

- a. Email to <u>st.tammanyparishfair@yahoo.com</u>
- b. Mail to : Melissa Dottolo, Essay Contest, 28139 Chukkar Lane, Folsom LA 70437