

MIGRANT & SEASONAL FARMWORKER CHILDREN

ART & ESSAY CONTEST

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION



Welcome to AFOP's Children in the Fields Campaign annual Art & Essay contest for migrant and seasonal farmworker children in the United States. Below you will find the guidelines to the contest, and the application form.

THEME: THE CHILDREN BEHIND THE FOOD WE EAT

ELIGIBILITY:

- Open to migrant or seasonal farmworker children in the United States of America
- Children must be between the ages of 10 to 18 years of age

RULES:

1. Entries must clearly express this year's theme: **The Children Behind the Food We Eat**
2. Entries must be submitted by **July 15, 2023**.
3. Entries must be **original** and solely the work of the student.
4. Art and Essay Size: **8.5 x 11-inch paper** (also known as letter size paper or photocopier paper)
5. Art description and Essays can be submitted in **English or Spanish**
6. Must submit the 2023 Application Form, Media Release and one Photo (see pages 3 & 4)
7. Incomplete submission disqualifies entry.

PRIZES:

- There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes for each age category.
- Winners will be notified on August 31, 2023 via telephone, and via Facebook Live at 12:30pm (ET)
- First Place winners will automatically be entered into a raffle to win a Tablet.

CATEGORY: ART		
	AGES 10 – 13	AGES 14-18
1 st Place	\$300	\$300
2 nd Place	\$200	\$200
3 rd Place	\$100	\$100

CATEGORY: ESSAY		
	AGES 10 – 13	AGES 14-18
1 st Place	\$300	\$300
2 nd Place	\$200	\$200
3 rd Place	\$100	\$100

CONTEST DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2023

- Art and Essay must be submitted to **AFOP by July 15, 2023**.
- Late submissions will not be considered.
- If essay is handwritten, it must be legible. (Essays transcribe into computer are accepted)
- Art and Essay submissions must meet the size requirements or they will be disqualified.
- Submissions must be accompanied by:
 1. Original Art or Essay entry
(art entries must include a description)
 2. 2023 Application
 3. One photo of contestant
 4. Media release

SUBMIT ESSAY AND ART ENTRIES BY JULY 15, 2023 TO:

MELANIE FORTI

Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs
 1150 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 315
 Washington, DC 20036

- Must include art or essay entry and complete application form
- Incomplete entries will not be accepted
- Questions? Contact Melanie Forti at forti@afop.org

CHECKLIST			
✓	ART ENTRIES	✓	ESSAY ENTRIES
	Original Art – Size: 8.5 x 11-inch paper inspired in the contest theme		Original Essay – Size: 8.5 x 11-inch paper inspired in the contest theme
	Completed Application Form with full contact information		Completed Application Form with full contact information
	Signed Media Release must be filled out by the parent		Signed Media Release must be filled out by the parent
	Short description of art work on a separate paper (1 paragraph long)		Essays should be no more than 500 words single-spaced (1 page long).
	Current picture of the child, preferably working in the fields. (Must be clear and high quality)		Current picture of the child, preferably working in the fields. (Must be clear and high quality)
	Make sure I have all of the above before sending to AFOP.		Make sure I have all of the above before sending to AFOP.
	Send complete entry to AFOP by July 15, 2023		Send complete entry to AFOP by July 15, 2023

DON'T FORGET!

Every entry must include:

- Original art or essay
- Application form (must provide valid contact information in order to be reached)
- Media Release
- Photo
 - Minimum size: 4"x4"
 - Ideally the photo shows the participant working in the fields



NEED INSPIRATION?







Here are some questions that can help guide you to create your art or essay...

- Who are the farmworkers children and why they should be seen?
- Why are farmworkers important?
- What are the challenges faced by farmworker children?
- What do you like and dislike about working in the fields?
- What motivates you to get through the work day? Through the school day?
- What are your dreams?

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2023 ART & ESSAY CONTEST APPLICATION

PARTICIPANT'S INFORMATION / INFORMACION DEL PARTICIPANTE		
1	Full Name / Nombre Completo	
2	Date of Birth / Fecha de Nacimiento	_____ / _____ / _____ Age/ Edad: _____
3	Email / Correo Electrónico	<input type="checkbox"/> don't have/no tengo
4	Telephone or Mobile phone / Teléfono o Celular	<input type="checkbox"/> don't have/no tengo (_____) _____ - _____
5	Postal Address / Dirección Postal (Where check can be sent/ Dónde se pueda enviar el cheque)	_____ _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
6	I submitted... / Yo entregué...	<input type="checkbox"/> Art/Arte <input type="checkbox"/> Essay/Ensayo
7	I included a photo of myself / Incluí una foto mia	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes/Sí <input type="checkbox"/> No
PARENT INFORMATION		
1	Mother's Full Name / Nombre completo de la Madre	
2	Mother's Cellphone / Celular de la Madre	<input type="checkbox"/> don't have/no tengo (_____) _____ - _____
3	Mother's Email / Email de la Madre	<input type="checkbox"/> don't have/no tengo
4	Father's Full Name / Nombre completo del Padre	
5	Father's Cellphone / Celular del Padre	<input type="checkbox"/> don't have/no tengo (_____) _____ - _____
6	Father's Email / Email del Padre	don't have/no tengo
7	Do you follow us on social media? / Nos sigue en las redes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes/Si <input type="checkbox"/> No    @CIFCampaign
OTHER CONTACT INFORMATION		
1	Contact's Full Name / Nombre completo del Contacto	
2	Relationship w/ participant / Relación con participante	
3	Contact's Email / Email del Contacto	
4	Contact's Phone / Teléfono de Contacto	(_____) _____ - _____
5	Do you follow us on social media? / Nos sigue en las redes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes/Si <input type="checkbox"/> No    @CIFCampaign

CHILDREN IN THE FIELDS CAMPAIGN MEDIA RELEASE FORM

Please print carefully all information.

CHILD'S INFORMATION

Child's Name

Date of Birth (*month/day/year*)

Address

Phone Number

Parent/Guardian Contact

Phone Number

MEDIA RELEASE FOR CHILD

I hereby grant permission as a parent/guardian of (*child's name*) _____ to the Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs (AFOP), its employees or representatives, to take and make use of: photographs/digital images, videotape, written testimony, audio recording or quoted remarks of my child for use in promotional or educational materials for printed publications or materials, electronic publications or presentations, and websites.

I agree that my child's name and identity:

_____ may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary about the image(s).

_____ may **not be** revealed in descriptive text or commentary about the image(s).

I agree that the media:

_____ may contact my family to speak with my child regarding his/her involvement with AFOP activities.

_____ may **not** contact my family to speak with my child regarding his/her involvement with AFOP activities.

I authorize the use of these materials indefinitely without compensation to me. All negatives, positives, prints, digital reproductions, written materials and video or audio recordings shall be the property of AFOP.

Parental/Guardian's Signature

Date