



Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District

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LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

SIXTH GRADE ESSAY CONTEST -- LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOLS & LINCOLN CHARTER SCHOOL

TITLE: "**We all live in a watershed**"

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ESSAY AND REPORT:

- essay - short composition dealing with a single subject from a personal point of view; facts may be interwoven into the essay, which stimulates thinking
- report - a formal presentation of facts in a report style

- (1) Essays shall bear current title, be handwritten in ink or typed on a computer and shall be limited to a range of 300-500 words (all words will be counted to reach the limit). Essays must be on standard 8 1/2" x 11" paper.
- (2) Essays shall be identified on the back side with: 1) Student's Name; 2) Grade; 3) Student's Address /Parents' email, phone; 4) Teacher's Name; 5) Name of School; 6) County; and 7) District (*Lincoln SWCD*).
- (3) Essays shall be judged on the following basis: 10% neatness; 20% organization; 50% conservation message & originality; and 20% grammar & writing style.
- (4) Essays shall be the work of the individual student, and once it is entered in the District Contest, it becomes property of the local District.
- (5) Essays are to be submitted to your home base teacher by November 25, 2020. Trophies will be awarded to one student per home base.
- (6) All essay's will be submitted to the Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District by December 1, 2020. The winners will be judged for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place and two honorable mentions. Prizes: 1st place - \$100 w/ribbon, 2nd place - \$50 w/ribbon, 3rd place - \$30 w/ribbon and honorable mention - \$20.
- (7) **The top three county winners will meet with the Rotary Club in January 2021 (details to be provided at a later time). The winners are requested to read his/her essay.**
- (8) The first place essay will be entered into the Area VIII Essay Contest which consists of eleven other counties. The first place winner, his/her teacher and principal will be invited to the District's Award Banquet in August.

INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DISTRICT'S WEBSITE AT

<https://www.lincolncounty.org/index.aspx?nid=355>. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT PATTY DELLINGER AT (704) 736-8501 or at [pdellinger@lincolncounty.org](mailto:pdellinger@lincolncounty.org).