

Why I Love My Daddy

Essay Contest

2023 Entry Guidelines

Contest Theme: Write an essay describing what makes your daddy or another male father-like figure (such as your stepfather, grandfather, uncle) special. If you need help getting started on your essay, think about these things:

- Can you remember a time when you and your dad or father-like figure had a special time that you will never forget?
- What do you love most about your dad or special father-like figure?
- What is something that your dad has done that makes you proud or happy?

Entry Categories and Rules:

Level 1 – Kindergarten –2nd Grades – at least one paragraph in length.

Level 2 – 3rd -5th Grades – at least two paragraphs in length.

Level 3 – 6th and up– at least one page in length.

Essays will be judged for content and creativity. For the 6th and up level, the essays will also be judged for grammar and punctuation. They may be handwritten or typed. They must be received by

Friday, October 27, 2023

**Put your name and grade and the full name of the
Father or Father-like figure on the back of the essay.**

Awards:

- ❖ 1st Place winners in each age group will receive gift card package of dinner at restaurant and a movie. (value- **\$50**)
- ❖ 2nd Place winners:
 - 6th-Up=**\$25** gift card
 - 3rd-5th Grades=**\$25** gift card
 - Kindergarten-2nd=**\$25** gift card
- ❖ 3rd Place winners:
 - 6th-Up=**\$20** gift card
 - 3rd-5th Grades=**\$20** gift card
 - Kindergarten-2nd=**\$20** gift card

In addition, the 1st place winners will have the honor of reading their essays at the Father Daughter Dance.

How to Enter: You can submit your essay by mail, drop off or fax.

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