



CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

"Ag Books for Kids 2018"

Deadline is April 6, 2018

4th and 5th Grade Students and Teachers

Dear "Rancher" Letter CRITERIA:

1. 4th and 5th grade Wyoming students are eligible.
2. **Read the book** "Ranching-It's All About Family" by Rianna and Sheridan Chaney.
3. **Instructions:** Creatively write a letter to a rancher. Topic suggestions that may be included but not limited to: What you learned from reading the book; your thoughts on how agriculture is important to you; what you learned about ranching and how it's important to the future of agriculture and raising livestock for food; and questions you may have about ranching in general.
4. Please turn the creative writing in on 8 1/2" x 11" paper. The entries will be judged according to the six writing traits: word choices, sentence fluency, conventions, idea development, organization, and voice.
5. **Word minimum: 150 words. Word maximum: 300 words.**
6. Entries may be handwritten or typed.
7. Cover Page is Required. You may use the cover page provided or create your own using the information on provided cover page.
8. Standards: Writing curriculum, non-fiction: expository writing.
9. Entry deadline is April 6, 2018.
10. Your county Farm Bureau representative _____
Phone _____ will make arrangements to pick up the entries for judging.



PRIZES!



- ◆ State winner receives a \$50 gift card and the book "Ranching-It's All About Family."
- ◆ State runner-up receives a \$25 gift card & the book "Ranching-It's All About Family."
- ◆ Farm Bureau District winners (3 per district) receive a copy of the book "Ranching-It's All About Family."



The creative writing contest is a project of the Young Farmer & Rancher Committee of the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation. "Ag Books for Kids" is a program that places agriculture books in elementary school libraries across Wyoming. For more information, visit www.wyfb.org. Questions: contact your local county Farm Bureau volunteer or WyFB YF&R Coordinator Kerin Clark at 307.532.2002 or kclark@wyfb.org.

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Creative Writing Cover Page (Required)

Student's name:

Grade:

Age:

County:

Teacher's name:

School Name:

School Address:

School Phone Number:



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Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation YF&R Committee

EDUCATOR EVALUATION

Please circle the most appropriate answer to assist us in ensuring that this is a high quality program.

General Information: Our school is Urban Suburban Rural

My student's grade: Kindergarten First Second Third Fourth Fifth

1. The book “*Ranching-It’s All About Family*” is age appropriate for my students.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

2. The contest with the book is age appropriate for my students.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

3. I will use this book with my students next year on my own.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

4. This event was educational for my students.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

5. If it is possible, I would like this program again next year with a new book and activity.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree

6. What did your students like best about the book and contest?

7. Comments and/or suggestions to improve the program:

Please return this evaluation with the contest entries or email to kclark@wyfb.org.

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FARM BUREAU VOLUNTEER EVALUATION

Please circle the most appropriate answer to assist us in ensuring that this is a high quality program.

General Information: The school visited was Urban Suburban Rural

The student's grade: Kindergarten First Second Third Fourth Fifth

1. The book “*Ranching-It’s All About Family*” was read to the class by a Farm Bureau member.

Yes *No*

2. The students listened attentively to the book “*Ranching-It’s All About Family*”

Strongly Agree *Agree* *Disagree* *Strongly Disagree*

3. The book and respective contests were received well by local teachers.

Strongly Agree *Agree* *Disagree* *Strongly Disagree*

4. Were any additional resources requested from the teachers? If yes, please explain.

5. Please share any additional activities you used to introduce/read the book to the school.

6. What did you like best about the book and contest?

7. Comments and/or suggestions to improve the program and/or books:

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