

Enter the Midwest Creation Fellowship Annual Student Essay Contest!



Prizes:

Senior High Level (Ages 14-18*)

\$500 First Place

\$250 Second Place

\$150 Third Place

Junior High Level Ages 11-14*

\$300 First Place

\$200 Second Place

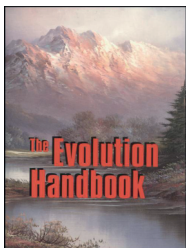
\$100 Third Place

Who may enter:

- Entrants must be between the ages of 11 and 18 as of April 30. *Entrants 14 years old on April 30 may enter either the Junior or Senior division.
- Entrants do NOT need to be members of Midwest Creation Fellowship!
- Entrants do NOT need to reside in the United States.

Help available:

- Answers in Genesis has an excellent article on “Doing a Report on Creation vs. Evolution.”
- MCF maintains a Library-by-Mail which can help supply information on creation! Join now to receive 1 year of access to over 700 titles of VHS, DVD, CD, print and audio media!
- Take advantage of online programs to check grammar, spelling, and accidental plagiarism. Google it!
- **FREE BOOK** for any contest participant! One copy per family of *The Evolution Handbook*. Vance Ferrell also makes his books *free* online. The printed book is jammed with information, but his 3-volume online encyclopedia is bigger! Web: evolutionfacts.com



Rules:

- Entries will be accepted beginning January 1, and must be sent by April 30.
- If it's an electronic document, email it as a .PDF, .DOC, or .WP file. We prefer electronic documents, because we don't have to scan them to copy them for the judges.
- If it's a paper document, mail it to: MCF Contest, P.O. Box 479, Gurnee, IL 60031-0479, OR email it as an attachment, to StudentEssayContest@MidwestCreationFellowship.org.

Paper must be:

- Topic must strongly relate to the subject of creation vs. evolution, from a creationist perspective.
- Typewritten
- Double spaced
- Up to 1500 words for Junior High or 2500 words for Senior High (Footnotes, endnotes, bibliography, and title page do not count towards the word limit.)
- Graphics may be included
- Give references to sources of ideas, quotes and graphics.
- Be careful to avoid plagiarizing! The Web has much helpful content. Examples: Plagiarism.org, Grammarly.com, and WriteCheck.com will check your paper for plagiarism, plus errors in English mechanics.

Entries will include a cover page showing the author's:

- First and last name
- Age as of April 30
- Home address
- Phone number
- Email address
- School (or 'Homeschool')
- *If you're 14 on April 30, state whether you're entering at the Junior- or Senior-High level.

Essays will be judged on:

- Biblical and scientific merit
- Ability to communicate ideas
- Creativity
- Technical ability (writing skills, grammar, etc.)
- Meeting all stated rules of the contest, including being submitted on time. Late papers are accepted but penalized.

What to expect:

- Contact us if you submitted your paper, but received no reply by 7 days later, at info@MidwestCreationFellowship.org.
- All entrants will be notified by mail of their status, usually in July.
- All entries become the property of MCF and will not be returned. Prize-winning entries may be reproduced and distributed by MCF.
- Winners may be invited to present their papers at an MCF meeting in the autumn. Some winning essays have been published in *Creation Matters*, the newsletter of the Creation Research Society!