

Enter the Midwest Creation Fellowship  
**Annual Student Essay Contest**



### Prizes:

#### Senior High Division (Ages 14-18\*)

- \$500 First Place
- \$250 Second Place
- \$150 Third Place

#### Junior High Division (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 for members! CALL US to make a request! Ph: 847-223-4730
- Take advantage of online programs to check grammar, spelling, and accidental plagiarism. Ex.: Plagiarism.org, Grammarly.com, and WriteCheck.com.
- TONS of free information is on the web:  
[www.answersingenesis.org](http://www.answersingenesis.org)  
[www.icr.org](http://www.icr.org)  
[www.creation.com](http://www.creation.com) – and they list many other organizations at: <https://creation.com/creationist-organizations-in-the-usa>

### Rules:

- Entries will be accepted beginning January 1, and must be sent by April 30.
- We prefer electronic documents, which should be .DOC, .PDF, or .WP. Email it AS AN ATTACHMENT to [StudentEssayContest@MidwestCreationFellowship.org](mailto:StudentEssayContest@MidwestCreationFellowship.org).
- If sending a paper document, mail it to:  
MCF Essay Contest  
P.O. Box 479  
Gurnee, IL 60031-0479

### Paper must be:

- Topic must strongly relate to the subject of creation vs. evolution, from a creationist perspective. But you do not have to PROVE creation! Science does not 100% PROVE anything.
- Typewritten
- Double-spaced, with margins 1" all around
- 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.
- Pictures are encouraged!
- Give references to sources of ideas, quotes and pictures.
- Be careful of spelling, grammar, and plagiarizing.
- 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 name, or "Homeschooled", \*If you are 14 on April 30, state whether you are entering at the Junior- or Senior-High level.

### Entries will be judged on:

- Biblical and scientific merit
- Clearly stating what you mean
- Creativity
- Technical writing skills: grammar, spelling, etc.
- Meeting all stated rules of the contest, including being submitted on time. Late papers are accepted for a very few days, but are penalized.

### What to expect:

- If you emailed your paper but have not received a reply within 7 days, CALL US at 847-223-4730, or email [Info@MidwestCreationFellowship.org](mailto:Info@MidwestCreationFellowship.org).
- If you mailed a paper submission, it will take longer to arrive and get the reply, so allow 10 days.
- 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.
- We will try to post winning essays online, *without* betraying your personal identity. (Many colleges will Google you, and discriminate against applicants who are not evolutionists.)