

## Tips for Teachers

The Utah Farm Bureau's Short Story Contest integrates with several Utah Core Standard objectives in the areas of English language arts and social studies. The contest provides students with an authentic opportunity to write informative, explanatory texts and demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English while increasing understanding of Utah's agricultural industry.

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Discover the miracle of agriculture!

## Questions?

### Website

[www.utahfarmbureau.org](http://www.utahfarmbureau.org)

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# Farm Bureau

Short Story Contest

## Do Chocolate Cows Give Chocolate Milk?



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Utah Farm Bureau's  
Women's Leadership



Submission Deadline  
**April 1**



# Contest Rules

## Purpose

The purpose of the story contest is to help students discover answers to an agriculture question, and then write a creative story that includes the accurate answer.

### Contest Question:

Do Chocolate Cows Give Chocolate Milk?

### Categories:

- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade
- 6th Grade

The story should be true to life and may be illustrated.

### Requirements:

- Not to exceed 1,000 words
- Typed double-spaced, or neatly handwritten.
- Front page should include contestant's name, address, phone number, grade level, teacher's name, school name, county and guardian's name.



# Entry Deadlines

The first place county winners in each of the categories must be forwarded to the Utah Farm Bureau for entry into the state contest by April 1. County deadlines are set by the county Women's Leadership Chair and should be prior to April 1.

## Judging

- 50% Content (creativity, accurate agriculture facts, use of the theme)
- 40% Structure (grammar, punctuation, spelling)
- 10% Neatness & Form

Each county contest will be judged by a committee of qualified, local people with knowledge of the subject. The County Farm Bureau Women's Chair is responsible for overseeing county judging.

The state contest will be judged by qualified individuals selected by the state Women's Leadership Committee. Decision of the judges will be final.

All entries become the property of Utah Farm Bureau. No state entries will be returned.



# Awards

## State Winners

1st Place: \$100

- A pizza party sponsored by Western AgCredit for the class of the winner or a classroom gift of equal value.
- Classroom resource materials for the teacher of the winning student

2nd Place: \$50

3rd Place: \$25

## County Winners

Determined by each county.

## Learn More

County Chair Name:

Phone Number:

Email:

County Deadline:

County Prizes

### Submit Entries to:

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