

Campaign for Cursive Writing Contest Has April 17 Deadline

Students in Grades 1 – 8 can enter this national cursive writing contest and win prizes.

WINDSOR, CA, USA, April 1, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The annual Cursive is Cool contest hosted by Campaign for Cursive and the American Handwriting Analysis Foundation has an April 17 deadline for postmarking entries. "It's a fun way to have kids practice their cursive writing," said Sheila Lowe, President of the American Handwriting Analysis Foundation, sponsors of the contest.

All of the details can be picked up at the website: www.cursiveiscool.com. The entries need to be post marked by April 17th to qualify. The categories are for 1st to 8th Graders and open to all students from any educational channel. Each grade level will have a boy and girl win-ner. For Grades 7-8, the entries are a bit more of a challenge with a short essay.

The judges are professional handwriting analysts, so children need to submit their best work. They will have the option of selecting a prize donated by the sponsors plus the opportunity to show off their work via social media, if they wish. Theresa Ortega, PR/Social Media Chair for AHAF, says the social media channels get a lot of notice: "People across the globe were amazed at some of the entries we received and were asked to post last year, and it's wonderful to see positive comments on social media about the great work these students are doing. We think that the cognitive benefits of learning cursive make for a perfect partner to today's technology as children go on to higher education or enter the workforce."

Last year entries were received from 12 states and this year the group is hoping to increase the reach across the country. "We love hearing from the kids about why they like to write in cursive", said Gayna Scott, chair for Campaign for Cursive. "We believe that having our kids learn this lifelong skill is worth the mere 15 minutes a day to learn modern handwriting. There is a vast amount of research that indicates there are numerous benefits for our children to learn cursive. On our website you can find <u>cited research</u> and the top reasons listed. Technology is great, too, and the skills can work together. One skill does not replace the other. So, have your kids enter the contest and tell us why like to write in cursive, we think you will learn something too!"

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