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# Essay Contest

*Grades 3—8*



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**Topic: How do New Jersey's forests create habitat for wildlife? Give three examples.**



- Students from grades 3 thru 8 are invited to participate!
- Either of two essay types may be entered: a traditional written essay of 3-5 pages double-spaced OR a photo essay of 6-8 photographs no larger than 8x10 (with captions that explain the pictures)
- Prizes for grades 3-5 and 6-8 plus honorable mentions in both categories
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## Guidelines

1. New Jersey students (public, private or home-schooled) in 3rd through 8th grades are eligible. Entries must be submitted by November 15, 2014. Winners will be notified within six weeks of this deadline.
2. Either of two essay types may be entered: a traditional written essay of 3-5 pages double-spaced OR a photo essay of 6-8 photographs no larger than 8x10. Photo essays must include text/captions that explain the pictures and connect them to the topic.
3. Entries will be evaluated on interest, research, organization, relevance, and student initiative. Two prizes valued at \$100 will be awarded: one for grades 3-5 and one for grade 6-8. Honorable mentions in each category will also be awarded. All essays may be featured in an upcoming NJFA e-newsletters and/or displayed at our Annual Meeting in March, 2015. By submitting an essay, you are giving NJFA permission to publish your submission.
4. The topic for this year is answering the question, “How do New Jersey’s forests create habitat for wildlife?”. Find specific examples in New Jersey and explain how it is beneficial. Look at NJFA’s website & elsewhere for information ([www.njforestry.org](http://www.njforestry.org)).
5. Students are urged to utilize a variety of resources, and all must be cited. Sources could include interviews, newspaper articles, books, internet sites or other forms of research.
6. Essays can be submitted two ways:
  - Email file to [info@njforestry.org](mailto:info@njforestry.org) with a subject line of “Essay Contest”
  - Mail essay to: NJFA Essay Contest, PO Box 367, Flemington, NJ 08822Be sure to include your name, address, email address and phone number.
7. For questions, please contact Lori Jenssen at [info@njforestry.org](mailto:info@njforestry.org) or 908-832-2400.

We look forward to your essay!

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