

2027

WRITERS CONTEST

Smoky
Hills
**PBS
KIDS
WRITERS
CONTEST**

THEME:

If I could make my own TV show...

ENTRY FORM

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone (____) ____-____

Grade (circle one): 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th Gender: ☐ F ☐ M

2. STORY INFORMATION

Title of Story _____

Number of Words _____

(The word count includes 'a', 'an', & 'the'.)

WORD COUNT RANGE:

Grades 1st & 2nd: 50 - 200

Words

Grades 3rd - 5th: 100 - 350

Words

Number of Illustrations _____

(Minimum of 5)

3. HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE CONTEST?

☐ On-Air ☐ Email ☐ Social Media ☐ Website☐ Local Library ☐ School ☐ Other _____

5. PARENT/GUARDIAN OR TEACHER VERIFICATION

I acknowledge that I have read the contest rules & regulations before signing this and that I understand the rules. Signature required by either parent/guardian or teacher. If submitted as a school project, please include teacher and school information below.

Required: Parent/Guardian or Teacher Signature

Email address: _____

Printed Name _____ Date _____

School Name _____

School Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ School Phone (____) ____-____

Yes / No (circle one)

I would like to receive emails filled with news about PBS Kids programs, educational resources, events, activities, and more!

MAIL YOUR ENTRY TO:
SMOKY HILLS PBS KIDS WRITERS CONTEST
P.O. BOX 9
BUNKER HILL, KS 67626

4. CONTEST CHECKLIST

Please read and follow ALL guidelines.

- ✓ Only one entry per child
- ✓ Story must follow the designated theme
- ✓ Only single author stories (no co-authors)
- ✓ Submit stories on 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper, unbound
- ✓ Story must be original work of the child and not include any copyrighted characters
- ✓ Original art can include drawings, collages, and photos taken by the author
- ✓ Story may be fact or fiction, prose or poetry
- ✓ Use only one side of the paper
- ✓ Number each page on the back
- ✓ Text must be printed/written legibly or typed
- ✓ Children who can't write may dictate their story to be printed or typed
- ✓ Invented spelling is accepted
- ✓ Story text may be on pages with illustrations or on separate pages
- ✓ Word count includes 'a', 'an', 'the' but not words on nonstory pages (e.g. title page) or those that enhance illustrations

☐ I want my entry returned, and I have included a self-addressed envelope with the appropriate postage.

Entries will not be returned unless a postmarked return envelope is included.

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QUESTIONS? Visit SmokyHillsPBS.org or call (785) 628-8904
We can't wait to read your story!
DEADLINE:

Entries must be postmarked by
JANUARY 4, 2027.