



# 2017 Ag in the Classroom Essay Contest

This year's topic is **Careers in Delaware Agriculture**

## Questions to answer:

1. What kind of jobs can you find in Delaware Agriculture?
2. Which one is your favorite and why?
3. Why is the career you chose important to Delaware's agriculture?

## NEW THIS YEAR!

**9th and 10th grades are now eligible to participate!**

## Guidelines

- The student **must be** enrolled in grades 6-7 or 9-10 in Delaware in the 2017-2018 academic year.
- The essay **must be** typed, double spaced, 12 point font, 1-inch margins
- Must be a **minimum length** of 500 words for 6-7 grades or 1,000 words for 9-10 grades.
- The essay **must be** accompanied by the official title sheet.
- Teachers should select the **top three student essays**, using the rubric provided in teacher's packet, from each participating class to be submitted to the Delaware Farm Bureau. *Note: If the winning teacher has more than one of the winning students, only one \$200 Staples gift card will be awarded.*

## Prizes

First Place Essay	\$300 and present essay at DEFB Annual Banquet in November
Second Place Essay	\$200
Third Place Essay	\$100
Winning Teacher(s)	\$200 Staples Gift Card

**Essays must be postmarked by October 31, 2017**

For more information or for a teacher's packet, call Heather at (302) 697-3183, or email [heather.kline@defb.org](mailto:heather.kline@defb.org) or visit [www.defb.org/promotion-and-education.html](http://www.defb.org/promotion-and-education.html)