

PRIZE ACCEPTANCE/AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY  
AND RELEASE FORM

The individuals signing below affirm and state as follows:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Entrant" and/or "Finalist" and/or "Prize Winner"), the student who is entering THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC FOR KIDS Essay Contest (the "Contest"). As parent or legal guardian, I give my consent for the Entrant to enter the Contest. We understand that personal information will be collected from the Entrant. We understand that the National Geographic Society (the "Sponsor") does not require any more personal information from the Entrant than is reasonably necessary for Entrant to participate in the Contest and for the Finalists and Winners to be announced. We also understand that the Sponsor will not use or disclose any information about the Entrant, except as specifically provided for and consented to herein, without further consent of the Entrant's parent or legal guardian.
2. The Entrant is currently a student in elementary school in the third, fourth, fifth or sixth grade. The essay submitted by the Entrant is his or her original creation.
3. We understand that the Entrant may be selected as a Finalist or Prize Winner in the Contest. If selected as a Finalist or Prize Winner, we accept the prize consisting of a National Geographic tee-shirt, which will go to 25 Finalists and five Prize Winners. If selected as one of five Prize Winners, we also accept that the Prize Winner's essay will be published in the online edition of NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC FOR KIDS. We understand that the approximate retail value of the prize is \$19.
4. We understand that all materials, including but not limited to the essay, submitted by the Entrant, or Entrant's teacher on behalf of Entrant, in connection with the Contest, will be retained by the Sponsor and will become the sole and exclusive property of the Sponsor. In addition, we understand that all rights, including copyright, in those materials, to the extent possible, are transferred to the Sponsor by the Entrant and/or the parent or legal guardian as a condition of entry.
5. The Prize Winner is not an immediate family member (child or sibling) of, or living in the same household as an employee of the Sponsor or their subsidiaries, affiliates, prize suppliers, advertising or promotional agencies.
6. We agree that if the Entrant is declared a winner, Sponsor has permission to use the Prize Winner's first name, school, prize information, essay and/or statements about the Contest on Sponsor's website and for publications for editorial, advertising and publicity purposes, without further compensation, to the extent permitted by applicable law.
7. Before signing this release, we have read it and fully understand that, by signing it, we are waiving for the Entrant, Finalist or Prize Winner, his or her heirs, executors, assigns, parents, guardians and representatives any and all claims, causes of action, law suits or demands of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, including without limitation personal injury, damages, or other claims, loss, or damages, that could possibly be asserted against the Sponsor, or its employees, agents, officers, directors, shareholders, parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising or promotional agencies, successors and assigns, arising in any way in connection with the contest, announcement of the Finalist or Prize Winner, publication of the essay on-line or otherwise or the prize that the Finalist or Prize Winner is awarded. We understand and agree that this release will be governed by the laws of the District of Columbia.

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Signature of Entrant and/or Winner

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Date

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Print Name

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Address

City

State

Zip

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Home Telephone

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Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian  
of Entrant and/or Winner

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Print Name

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