

2017 ESSAY CONTEST

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**All 4H & FFA Beef Project Members in Huron, Sanilac, Tuscola, Lapeer,
St Clair, Oakland, & Macomb Counties are eligible to enter.**

Contest Requirements:

Senior {4H age as of Jan. 1, 2017} 16 through 19 years. **(1,000 word minimum)**

Topic: *Research the Beef Quality Assurance Program. Write to persuade the reader that all beef/steer exhibitors should be required to become BQA certified and what that certification entails.*

Intermediate {4H age as of Jan. 1, 2017} 13 through 15 years. **(500 word minimum)**

Topic: *Choose a retail cut of beef. Explain what part of the animal it comes from. What would be the best method to cook this cut of beef and why?*

Junior {4H age as of Jan. 1, 2017} 9 through 12 years. **(250 word minimum)**

Topic: *"Beef, It's What's For Dinner" is a promotional program created by the Beef Check Off. What's your favorite beef dinner? Write to convince your friend to try your favorite beef dinner and explain how it is prepared?*

Evaluation of Essays will be Based on: **Originality and creativity, neatness and legibility [typed is preferred], grammar and spelling, completeness of discussion of the topic, accuracy of the information and thoroughness. Include a cover page with: Name, Date of Birth, Age Group entered, telephone number, County, and Beef Leader Name.*

Winners will be announced on Saturday April 22, 2017 at the Thumb Beef Jackpot Show in Goodells!!!

Prizes will be paid for each age division: 1st place \$100 and 2nd place \$50.

All completed essays are to be postmarked or emailed by April 8, 2017: Mail to: Essay Contest, 115 Riley Center Rd, Riley, MI 48041 or email beckiekavanagh@hotmail.com .

If you have any questions email Beckie Kavanagh at the address listed above.