



Great Purcellville Word Search Story Contest

Rules of Participation and Contest Terms and Conditions

This year, Discover Purcellville's community art project is called *Words on a Fence*. The Town of Purcellville, the Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the Purcellville Arts Council, and Discover Purcellville are jointly hosting a word search and story contest based on this community art project. Placed in different spots throughout Purcellville are 30 words on fences that have been painted by local artists.

Rules of Participation in the Great Purcellville Word Search Story Contest:

- Elementary School students:
 - Story must be between 300 to 500 words
 - Story must use at least 5 of the *Words on a Fence*
- Middle School students:
 - Story must be between 500 to 750 words
 - Story must use at least 10 of the *Words on a Fence*
- High School students
 - Story must be between 750 to 1,000 words
 - Story must use all of the *Words on a Fence*
- All students:
 - Entries must be typed, not handwritten
 - Include the following information at the top of the first page of the submission (which doesn't count toward the total word count):
 - Title
 - Student Name
 - Student Grade
 - Total Word Count
 - Total number of *Words on a Fence* words used
 - Underline each of the *Words on a Fence* words – if the same word is used more than once, only underline the first one used in the story; the same word cannot be counted more than once
 - Entries will be judged on proper use of grammar and spelling
 - The submission must be the original work of the Entrant, and must not contain text that was not created by Entrant.
 - The submission must not contain material that the Town of Purcellville deems to be inappropriate, indecent, obscene, hateful, tortuous, defamatory, slanderous, or libelous.
 - The submission must not disparage the Town of Purcellville or any other person, entity or party.

- The submission must not contain political messages, advertising or solicitations.
- The submission must not contain swear words or other coarse language.
- The submission must not contain material that the Town of Purcellville deems, in its sole discretion, to promote cruelty, bigotry, racism, hatred or harm against any animal, group or individual or to promote discrimination based on race, gender, religion, nationality, disability, sexual orientation, or age.
- Entrants, by submitting an entry, agree to abide by and follow all Contest Terms and Conditions.

Contest Terms and Conditions:

By participating and making a submission in the Great Purcellville Word Search Story Contest, all Entrants agree to follow and be bound by the Rules of Participation and the following terms and conditions:

- The decision on the appropriateness of the content of all submissions shall be at the sole discretion of the Town of Purcellville, the Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the Purcellville Arts Council, and Discover Purcellville (hereinafter referred to as the “Sponsors”). The Entrant’s submission complies with the Rules of Participation, and Contest Terms and Conditions.
- The Entrant’s submission complies with the Rules of Participation, and Contest Terms and Conditions. Entries that don't comply with the Rules of Participation and the Contest Terms and Conditions will be disqualified.
- The Sponsors disclaim any legal liability regarding the use of the submissions or any component of a submission. The Sponsors shall be held harmless by the Entrant and the Entrant’s family and legal representative in the event the Entrant does not fully comply with the Rules of Participation and/or the Contest Terms and Conditions.
- By participating in the contest, each Entrant and Entrant’s Parent/Legal Guardian warrants and represents that: (i) their submission and each component is original to them; (ii) they own all rights, copyrights, licenses, permissions and consents to the submitted material and its entry in the contest; and (iii) their work does not infringe upon or violate the rights of any third party.
- To the extent permitted by law, a contest entry constitutes a release to and the agreement by the Entrant that the Sponsors own, in perpetuity, all rights, title, and interest, including copyrights, in and to the submission to the Sponsors. The Sponsors may edit, use, reproduce, publish, promote, display, modify, and use in composite form, or otherwise use their submission (excluding personal information), in whole or in part, for any reason or purpose without notice or compensation. No royalties will be paid at any time.
- The Sponsors reserve the right to accept or reject any submission and to judge all eligible submissions through a panel of judges selected by the Sponsors.

- Judging criteria include originality/creativity, incorporating the minimum number of fence words for school level, meeting the word count for school level, proper use of grammar, spelling, etc., and following the rules outlined.
- The decision of the panel of judges will be final and the Entrant agrees that no objection will be accepted.
- By entering this contest, each Entrant: (i) waives all moral rights in and to their submission in favor of the Sponsors to the fullest extent permitted by law; and (ii) agrees to release and hold harmless the Sponsors from and against any and all actions, claims and liabilities based on publicity rights, defamation, invasion of privacy, copyright infringement, trademark infringement or any other intellectual property related cause of action that relate in any way to the submission.
- Entrants under the age of 18 will be required to provide parental consent to participate. Failure to provide a parental consent form when required may result in disqualification at the sole discretion of the Sponsors.
- The Sponsors reserve the right, at their sole and absolute discretion, to cancel, amend, postpone or suspend the contest.