

**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**  
**2008 EARTH SCIENCE WEEK ESSAY CONTEST**  
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Signature below affirms review and agreement with all contest rules.

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**Eligibility:** Contest is open to interested students who are in grades 6-9. Contestants must be United States residents.

**Deadline:** All submissions must be postmarked by Friday October 17, 2008.

**Prizes:** One winning submission will be chosen. The winning essay will win \$300 and a copy of AGI's *Faces of Earth* DVD. All finalists' entries will be posted to the Earth Science Week Website.

**Judging:** Essays will be judged by a panel of scientists on content, presentation, originality, creativity, and relevance to and incorporation of the 2008 ESW Essay Contest topic.

**Other Rules:** Submission of an entry constitutes consent to use the entrant's name and/or photograph, including posting on the AGI Website, without compensation unless prohibited. All essays become property of AGI and will not be returned. Only one entry per person will be accepted. Entries must be composed of original, authentic, unpublished material and must be the sole property of the entrant, not previously submitted in any other contest. AGI is not responsible for lost, late, misdirected, incomplete, or postage-due entries. Contest void where prohibited or restricted by law.

**Submit Entries To:**

Earth Science Week 2008 Essay Contest  
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