

August 17, 2026

Dear Educator:

NEW THIS YEAR: “*THE FAIR THROUGH MY EYES*” YOUTH CONTEST

Prompt: “What did I learn at the Tunbridge Fair?”

This fall, the Tunbridge World’s Fair is offering a unique contest opportunity for young people called “*THE FAIR THROUGH MY EYES*”. Any youth who attends the fair and then submits a narrative essay, photograph/caption, poem, OR visual art responding to the prompt above will be considered for an award. We hope you will help spread the word and encourage students to participate in this contest.

The Tunbridge World’s Fair Board of Directors held a “My Fair Share” raffle in June 2025 to raffle off a share of Union Agricultural Society stock that had been donated back to the fair, plus some other prizes. The funds raised from this raffle are designated toward promoting youth as the future of the fair.

Last fall, nine Tunbridge Fair youth exhibitors and volunteers were chosen by departments and awarded a certificate and \$50 each based on the following qualities: integrity, reliability, trustworthiness, passion for the fair, positivity, helps others, work ethic, goes above and beyond their peers, and is perhaps is an unsung hero behind the scenes who doesn’t always receive champion ribbons. This year, the Tunbridge Fair directors are thrilled to offer a different opportunity for all youth attending the fair.

Entries may be submitted in one of the following forms:

- Narrative essay (limit to 300 words or less)
 - Poetry
 - Photograph and Caption
 - Visual Art (drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media, or sculpture)
- Digital images of original work will be accepted; work will not be returned.

There will be five age categories, with one entry selected in each age category to receive an award of \$100. All ages should be as of September 1, 2026.

- 5-7 years old
- 8-10 years old
- 11-13 years old

- 14-18 years old
- Judges' Choice Award - open to all youth, age 18 and under

Deadline: Entries must be labeled, include a completed parent permission form, and submitted to the Tunbridge Fair office by October 15, 2026. A committee of judges will review all applications and select the winners. Winners will be contacted by November 6, 2026.

Thank you for sharing this opportunity for students in your school! For more information or questions, please contact myfairsharetwf@gmail.com, or visit tunbridgeworldsfair.com.

Sincerely,

Tunbridge Fair Board of Directors