

10th Annual Autism Awareness Essay Contest

Who Can Enter:

Students in grades K-12

- K-2nd grade write or draw what it means to have a friend with autism.
- 3rd-12th grades write an essay about what it means to have a friend with autism.

Instructions:

Please write an essay about what it means to have a friend with autism. We would love to hear stories about your friendship, what you and your friend with autism enjoy doing together, how your friend with autism makes you happy and what autism has taught you. We also encourage individuals with autism to write about the friends they've made, and positive experiences they've had as a result of inclusion. Preference is given to essays that portray true friendships instead of facts or statistical information about autism.

Essays can be of any length. Complete the bottom of this sheet and **attach to your essay or drawing,** mail completed form and essay <u>postmarked no later than March 20, 2015</u> to: **ASW, PO Box 66, De Pere, WI 54115**.

Prizes:

Amazon gift cards will be awarded in four categories:

- K-2nd grade
- 3rd-5th grade
- 6th-8th grade
- 9th-12th grade

1 st Prize: \$10 2 nd Prize: \$7! 3 rd Prize: \$5	5 Gift Card	

Winners will be notified by mail, and 1st place winners will be honored at the Autism Society of Wisconsin 26th Annual Conference in Wisconsin Dells on Friday, May 1, 2015.

<u>Teachers:</u> Please be sure to staple a completed entry form to every entry when submitting. All information must be filled in for individual entries. If submitting as a classroom entry, only teacher and school information needs to be filled in.

10th Annual Autism Awareness Essay Contest Entry Form

(MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT AND ATTACHED TO ESSAY) Student's Name: Teacher's Name: Teacher's Email: School: School Phone #: School Address: STREET CITY STATE ZIP