



## AGRICULTURE IN MONTANA SCHOOLS

*Announces an educational design contest for grades K-6*  
***Show Me and Teach Me about Montana Agriculture!***

In recognition of AG WEEK, March, 2016 Agriculture in Montana Schools (AMS) is once again bringing the [Show Me Montana Agriculture Design Contest](#) to Montana's elementary school children. Eight state winners will be selected from entries received from Montana. There will be one state winner chosen from each grade and one over-all winner chosen from the previous years' winners or best overall drawing. Winning entries will be printed on placemats and other items. They will be posted on the Agriculture in Montana School's website and Facebook page. Placemats will be distributed to school cafeterias and restaurants all across Montana! This contest is a wonderful opportunity to bring Montana agriculture education into your classroom. Standards driven lessons and activities to go with the contest categories are available at our website: [aginmontanaschools.com](http://aginmontanaschools.com).

### **Entry Categories**

Grades K&1—FARM ANIMALS IN MONTANA ( what you know about farm animals in Montana)

Grade 2—GROWN IN MONTANA ( agriculture crops are grown in Montana) **Sponsored by the Montana Wheat and Barley Committee.**

Grade 3—CATTLE OF MONTANA ( the who, what, when, where, and why of cattle in Montana)

Grade 4—NOXIOUS WEEDS IN MONTANA (A serious problem for agriculture in Montana)  
**Sponsored by the Montana Noxious Weed Trust Fund**

Grade 5—GRAINS OF MONTANA (Wheat, barley, and so many others) **Sponsored by the Montana Wheat and Barley Committee.**

Grade 6—AGRICULTURAL RELATED CAREERS IN MONTANA (One in five jobs is an agriculture related career!)

### **CONTEST RULES:**

1. Entries must be legible with clear printing on good quality paper suitable for printing. Best practices include **neatly writing your slogan** on the entry first with pencil, and then neatly tracing the slogan with a fine point marker or pen.
2. Paper size—4" by 11" size. (no need for a margin)
3. 15 word maximum.
4. Each slogan must include the word "**Montana**"
5. The student's name, grade, school, school phone number, teacher's name and county on the back lower left hand corner of drawing.

### **Entries will be judged on:**

Agricultural content, Neatness, Reproducibility, Originality

Entries shall be submitted to County Superintendent of Schools no later than Friday, December 9, 2016. Each County Superintendent will choose one county winner from each grade. The seven county winners will be submitted by the County Superintendents to AMS by December 23, 2016. AMS will choose eight state winners from these entries. Entries postmarked after the December 23, 2016 deadline will not be judged. Winners will be announced in January, 2017.

In March each winner, their families, and teacher will be guests of AMS in Helena for two days, all expenses paid stay having fun touring Helena, pizza party and meeting state dignitaries. They will be special guests of AMS at the Award luncheon with Miss Rodeo Montana and other special guests.

All entries become the property of AMS and will not be returned.

**TEACHERS: PLEASE DO NOT SEND ENTRIES DIRECTLY TO AMS—WE WILL NOT ACCEPT MORE THAN 7 ENTRIES FROM EACH COUNTY AND THEY NEED TO COME FROM THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OR A DESIGNATED REPLACEMENT. PLEASE DELIVER ALL ENTRIES TO THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT IN YOUR AREA.**

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You may view past winner's entries at [aginmontanaschools.com](http://aginmontanaschools.com) or Ag in Montana Schools Facebook page.

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