



***The 2024 Paradise Chocolate Fest celebration includes “All About Books!”
connecting Authors, Illustrators & Publishers to the Community.
As a special part of All About Books - Paradise Chocolate Fest is pleased to announce -
“Young Author’s Writing Contest!”***

Butte County K-12 Students are invited to join the fun and festivities of this year’s Paradise Chocolate Fest as we celebrate literacy for youth. The **Paradise Chocolate Fest Young Author’s Writing Contest** seeks to encourage young people to develop enthusiasm for, and expertise in, their writing successes. The contest aims to inspire entrants to express themselves and their thoughts through writing and literary skills to create a fictional story.

Contest Rules:

- Contest open to all Students K-12 throughout Butte County.
- Entries must include the word “**Chocolate**” in the story.
- **Deadline to submit is May 1, 2024.** Mailed entries must be postmarked by May 1, 2024.
- All entries must be an original creation.
- Only one entry per person may be submitted.
- Age Categories:
 - K-1; 2-3; 4-5th grades (no minimum or maximum number of words; illustrations may be included.)
 - 6-7-8; 9-10; 11-12th grades (500-2,000 words; entries must be typed; Font 12 point Times New Roman or Arial; no illustrations.)
- A completed Entry Form must be paper clipped to each entry.
- Top of first page must include the Title of your story. Please, Do NOT put your name on your story. (Your Name should be on Entry Form only, attached to your submission by paperclip.)
- All entrants under 18 years old are required to provide parent/guardian approval of their entry (see Entry Form).
- Be creative, be bold and have fun!
- Entries become the property of Youth on the Ridge Community Foundation, Inc. / Paradise Chocolate Fest and may be included in an anthology of youth stories, benefiting Paradise Chocolate Fest youth groups in future years.

Judging: Each story is judged on its literary merit as a short story including: story structure (plot, characters, and setting) style, grammar and creativity. Judging will be by a panel of local educators and community members.

Awards: Contest results will be announced at Paradise Chocolate Fest, Saturday, May 11th at 11:00 am on the Chocolate Fest’s Main Entertainment Stage.

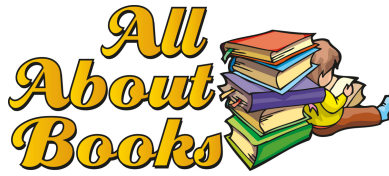
- All entries will receive 2 Tickets to the Paradise Chocolate Fest.
- K-1; 2-3; 4-5th grades -
 - 1st Place winner & First Two Runner’s Up each age group will receive \$20 Barnes & Noble Gift Card.
- 6-7-8; 9-10 grades -
 - 1st Place winners will be awarded \$40 Barnes & Noble Gift Card.
 - First two runners-up will each be awarded \$20 Barnes & Noble Gift Card.
- 11-12th grades
 - 1st Place winner will be awarded a \$200.00 scholarship.
 - First two runners-up will each be awarded a \$100.00 scholarship.

Submission Guidelines:

Mail entries to: **Youth On the Ridge Community Foundation • PO Box 8188 • Chico, CA 95927**

Since 2006, Paradise Chocolate Fest has distributed over \$400,000.00 to non-profits which provide educational, enrichment, recreation and leadership opportunities to youth on the Paradise Ridge. These vital funds support music & academic programs, provide scholarships to summer camp and dance classes, youth leadership training, sports equipment, food banks, vision screening, upgraded computers and much more.

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Paradise Chocolate Fest
“Young Author’s Writing Contest!”
Official Entry Form

(please see writing contest announcement for complete contest rules and submission guidelines)

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Remember – Do Not Put Author’s Name on Story.
Include Title at the Top of your Story.
Paperclip this Entry Form to the Title Page of your Story.

(Please print legibly)

Title of Story: _____

Student/Author’s: _____ School: _____
First Name Last Name

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
(Each Writer’s Contest Entrant will be Mailed 2 Tickets to the Paradise Chocolate Fest by May 5th.)

Home Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____ Grade: _____
(For grades 6-12, write the name of your English Teacher)

I, _____, give permission for Paradise Chocolate Fest to retain ownership of Student’s/Author’s story. Student & parent signatures confirm that this is the original work of the above author.

Student/Author’s Signature

Parent or Guardian Signature

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