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THE (REALLY) GREAT OUTDOORS CONTEST 2020

Judging Criteria

The rubric below describes a successful project. Plan for success by referring to it throughout your creative process as you **outline, write and/or draw**, and **edit** your work. The contest judges will use the criteria below to select winners from all eligible entries (see the next page for entry information).

Your teacher may also use this sheet to grade your work.

CRITERIA What does a winning entry look like?	Possible Points	Points Earned
1. Effectiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How well does the entry focus on specific issues and on benefits to the community that the nature space will serve? 	25	
2. Innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How well does the entry include creative, original elements? 	25	
3. Personal Connection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How well does the entry explain why the nature space is important to the student? 	25	
4. Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the entry neat, organized, and clearly written (and/or drawn)? Accurate spelling, grammar, and punctuation will be considered. 	25	
TOTAL POINTS	100	

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Entry Information

Grades 6–8

How to Enter:

- 1. Write about and/or draw with accompanying text** a nature space your community could use.
- 2. Explain** what elements you need in your space, their purpose, and how it will benefit your community.
- 3. Make sure** your entry is no more than three pages and includes your name, grade, school, state, teacher's name, and teacher's email.
- 4. Send** your entry either:
 - > **Online:** Give your entry to your teacher to upload.
 - > **Or by mail:** You or your teacher can mail your entry to:

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557 Broadway, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10012



Entries should demonstrate: Effectiveness of the nature space, innovation (creativity), personal connection, and a polished presentation. See the Contest Rubric for more information on judging criteria.

DEADLINE: EXTENDED TO APRIL 6, 2020

STUDENT CONTEST: NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. Void where prohibited. Open only to students in grades 6–8 in a public school, an accredited private school, or a home school in the 50 United States (or the District of Columbia) which is in compliance with the laws and regulations of its state/district and who are residents of the United States. Deadline **extended to April 6, 2020**: Entries must be submitted or postmarked between 12:01 a.m. ET on January 13, 2020, and 11:59 p.m. ET on April 6, 2020 (mail-in entries must be received by April 13, 2020). Prize packages: Grand Prize (ERV: \$4,000); 1st Prize (ERV: \$3,000); 2nd Prize (ERV: \$2,000); 3rd Prize (ERV: \$1,000). Prizes are nontransferable. Visit [scholastic.com/turfmutt/officialrules](https://www.scholastic.com/turfmutt/officialrules) for complete Official Rules and restrictions.