



## 9th-12th GRADE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST RULES:

**Postmark Deadline: January 5, 2024**

- ❖ Students who are currently in **9th-12th grade** may submit a contest entry. **Submit all entries for state judging.**
- ❖ The 2024 theme is **"Agriculture Is Everywhere"**.
- ❖ A copy of the official entry form must be legibly completed and securely attached to the back of each entry. (1 page attached includes 4 copies of official entry form). **Please also include a signed Copyright release for each student. We will need to make copies of winning photographs.**
- ❖ **Entry must contain at least one (1), but not more than three (3), 5"x7" color prints that were taken by the student. Photos MUST BE attached to either 8 ½"x11" or 11"x17" paper in landscape orientation. NO OTHER SIZES WILL BE JUDGED.** Photos must be on paper that will allow for duplication, framing, and display - **cardstock or a half-poster board is preferred.** Posters must be sent in **FLAT**; **NOT** folded, matted, mounted, laminated, or framed.
- ❖ Copyright laws prohibit the use of any picture other than one the student has taken his or herself. Pictures on newsprint or those that have been mechanically altered will not be accepted.
- ❖ The **phrase, "Agriculture Is Everywhere" must** be included on the title of the poster.
- ❖ **A caption, of no more than 20 words may be added under each photo.**
- ❖ Entries will be judged on representation of 2024 theme, photo quality, and composition.
- ❖ The 2024 AITC Contest Entry Form, found at this link <https://forms.gle/QHqDAw3gTWNKrKj36>, by scanning the QR code below, or found on our website, <https://www.agclassroom.org/ok/> **must to be completed by the teacher. This year you will NOT mail or email your class list to us, you will need to enter student names and only mail the coloring sheets. Thank you!!**
- ❖ **Please make sure all student names are spelled correctly on entry form as the spelling you submit will be used to create certificates.**
- ❖ A panel of judges will decide the winning entries.
- ❖ Entries should be mailed to:
 

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture  
 ATTN: Ag in the Classroom  
 2800 N Lincoln Blvd  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73105
- ❖ Questions? Call Emily at 405-885-1851 or email her: [emily.ague@ag.ok.gov](mailto:emily.ague@ag.ok.gov)



**Contest rules, entry forms, and contest lesson can be found at [www.agclassroom.org/ok](https://www.agclassroom.org/ok)**

### AWARDS:

- One Overall Winner will be selected for the Photography contest (9th-12th grade). They will receive a \$50 cash award, citations from legislators, and plaque.
- 1st place poster finalists will be chosen from EACH grade level and will receive a \$20 cash prize, citations from legislators, and a medal.
- 2nd and 3rd place poster finalists will be chosen from EACH grade level and will receive a \$10 cash prize, citations from legislators, and a medal.
- Awards will be presented in 2024. Date and Location TBD
- Each contest participant will receive a personalized certificate.
- Winning photographs will be featured on our website.
- Awards sponsored by the Oklahoma Beef Council.

*Oklahoma AITC reserves all printing rights to entries. All artwork will become property of Oklahoma AITC and will not be returned unless requested by the teacher.*

**Ag in the Classroom**  
**Official Entry Form**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**School** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

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# PHOTOGRAPHY COPYRIGHT RELEASE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am the owner and copyright holder of the photo(s) / image(s) described as:

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[Photo(s) / Image(s) Description]

I hereby grant you the right of possession of the above-described image(s) / photo(s) shot by me and have my permission to make unlimited printed or developed photographs, for Oklahoma Ag in the Classroom's use for the **2024** contest.

Sincerely,

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_