



NEPALI NATIONAL CONVENTION 2018

UNITY FOR NEPALESE COMMUNITY

Elementary School “Show and Tell Nepal” Contest (Grades 1 – 5)

Association of Nepalese in Midwest America (ANMA), Nepalese Association in Southeast America (NASeA) and Association of Nepalis in the Americas (ANA) are announcing the annual elementary school student “Show and Tell” contest open to all elementary school student living in North America.

It is very important that we continue to keep our children aware of their Nepali origin and strive to keep them aware of Nepali culture. The earlier this awareness is inculcated, the better it is. Therefore, the goal of the writing contest is to increase awareness of Nepali heritage among our young generation.

Show and Tell: A Nepali Event

Assume that you have to do a “Show and tell”, except instead of telling, you will be writing. Describe an instance when you and your family participated in a memorable Nepali event alongside other Nepali families. What did you like the most about the event? Also ask your parents to provide a picture of the event you have participated. Please do not forget to send us your picture along with your writing.

Guideline: (1) Choose a Nepali event that you have participated and write about it. (2) Attach a picture of the event. (3) Attach your photograph and provide your phone number, school grade and name of the school.

Eligibility:

1. The contest is open to all North American Region elementary school students enrolled in 2018-2019 and to all home- school students in grade equivalent to elementary school (Grade 1 -5).
2. All “Show and Tell Nepal” must reflect the contestant’s own research and originality in writing.
3. Limit one submission per student.
4. Essay must be submitted online before deadline to all Judging Committee members.

Essay specification:

1. Written in English language.
2. Student’s name, photo, email address and day-time phone number must appear at the top of the essay.
3. Document limits to **300 - 400 words for 1st, 2nd and 3rd grader** and **400-500 words for grade 4th and 5th grader**. All words, except title will be counted towards the word limits.
4. Type using MS-Word, double-spaced, page numbered.
5. Submit writing in MS-Word format along with the picture of the object to Judging Committee Chair and carbon copy to all the committee members.

Timeline:

1. **Essay submission deadline – August 14, 2018.**
2. Winner notification – August 18, 2018.
3. Winners recognition – During cultural program of Nepali National Convention.

Judging criteria:

1. Scope of research (20%)
2. Organization of content (15%)
3. Originality (20%)
4. Logic development (10%)
5. Spelling and grammar (10%)
6. Clarity and sincerity of thoughts (10%)
7. Completeness (15%)

A panel of official essay contest committee will conduct judging. The committee's decision will be the final decision.

Awards & Recognitions:

Elementary school "Show and Tell Nepal" contest's first, second, and third place winners will be awarded a prize of US \$100, \$75 and \$50 respectively along with an award certificate. The top three writings will also be published in NAsEA's upcoming *Yeti View Point* magazine. The winners will be honored during Nepali National Convention in Labor Day Weekend 2018 in Chicago, Illinois.

Awards for the elementary school writing contest is personally sponsored by Mr. Madhav Mainali and Ms. Sita Ghimire Mainali from Huntsville, Alabama.

The judging committee

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