



Educational Innovation Contest

The NCSI Educational Innovation Contest will award three \$150 prizes to the North Carolina teachers who do the most -- or most creative work -- with strawberries and the NCSI curriculum in their classroom and educational activities over the 2014-2015 school year. Strawberry activities may be year-long or short-term; they may include classroom activities and lessons, school gardens, and/or school field trips, and they may involve a single class or multiple classrooms. To learn more about the NCSI Lesson Plans and resources, visit www.ncstrawberry.com/docs/NCSI-Introduction.htm.

Who may enter: Classroom or resource teachers for grades K-5 in any North Carolina school, whether public, charter, or private, as well as school-based after-school programs, 4-H, and similar educational programs. Home schools are not eligible for this contest. Educators who are family members of NC Strawberry Association members may apply.

Deadlines, Judging, and Awards: Entries must be postmarked or submitted electronically by **May 1, 2015**. Winners will be notified by May 20, 2015. Prizes will be in the form of Amazon gift cards.

Documenting your strawberry activities: Entries should include a description of your strawberry-related activities in a short essay of 500 words or less plus supporting materials, such as photographs, video, PowerPoint, scrapbooks, compilations of student writing/artwork, etc. Please have these materials well-organized to facilitate the judges' review. If you use digital formats, please use widely accessible formats, such as PowerPoint, pdf, Word, jpg. Description should be typed. If you wish your materials to be returned to you, please include a stamped return envelope.

How to enter: Entries may be submitted electronically or by mail. Download or print this file (page 2 is a fillable pdf form which can be filled out and then printed or saved and emailed), and send the form with your entry to ncstrawberry@gmail.com or NCSI Project, 197 Spring Creek Road, Pittsboro, NC 27312.

We look forward to seeing your entries. Thank you for your work with children and your interest in strawberries!



Educational Innovation Contest ENTRY FORM

Name _____

School/Institution _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Ccounty _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Other teachers partnering in this project: _____

Grade level(s) involved in project _____ Number of students involved _____

My entry includes:

A description of this strawberry activities and project in 500 words or less

as a Word file (or similar) as hard copy

Digital files: Provide file names below. Please include your last name in all file names.

Hard copy materials: Please describe briefly.

Do you wish these materials returned to you? Yes (stamped envelope has been included) No

If your materials includes photos of students, do we have permission to use these photos on our website and in media releases about the contest and NCSI project?

Yes No Please check with me about specific photos