



Utah County Beekeepers Association Bee a Beekeeper Program Rules

The Utah County Beekeepers Association is pleased that you are interested in our Bee a Beekeeper Program; a program designed to mentor students for integration into the local beekeeping culture.

Be A Beekeeper Writing Requirements (incorrectly formatted essays may be disqualified)

Ages 8-11

Minimum requirements. Topic expository paragraph, 7- 9 sentences long. An introduction sentence, 3-5 sentences of background research sentences, two sentences on what the participant will be watching for, expecting to learn, and reporting to the Association in the three meetings they will be attending if they win. Closing sentence. Maximum length accepted for this age group, 16 sentences.

Ages 12-15

Minimum requirements. Three paragraph expository essay, each 5-9 sentences long. An introduction paragraph that gives background research of topic. Second and third paragraph that explains what the participant will watching for, expecting to learn, how they will using and working the bees during the season and data they will be tracking to report on to the Association during the three meetings they will attend during the year. Maximum length accepted for this age group, five paragraph essay.

Ages 16-18

Minimum requirements. Five paragraph expository essay, each 5-12 sentences long. An introduction paragraph that sets up the essay, one or two background research paragraphs, one or two methods paragraph of what the participant will be doing with the equipment during the season, what type of data he/she will be collecting, and what they will report to the Association in the four meetings they will attend during the year, the closing paragraph. Maximum length, 7 paragraphs.

Resources:

<http://www.shurley.com/hs/index.jsp?go=elements&sub=&tab=pc>
<http://www.shurley.com/hs/index.jsp?go=elements&sub=&tab=ew>
http://www2.actden.com/writ_Den/Tips/paragrap/index.htm
<http://howtowriteapagraph.com/index.html>

Here is how the program works; participants submit their essays and applications by the submission date below. The presidency of the Utah County Beekeepers Association will read through and pick the top five essays. These top five essays will be read to the body of the Utah County Beekeepers Association Members present during the February meeting. The members present will then vote on the top essays; the writers of those essays will be declared the winners.

Each of the winners will receive the following to help them be successful beekeeper:

- Membership in the Utah County Beekeepers Association
- Free tuition for the Utah County Beekeepers Association Beginners Class Package of Bees (type of bee to be determined)
- State licensing fees (\$10)
- Complete Hive
 - Bottom Board
 - 2 Deep Supers with Frames and Foundation
 - Inner Cover
 - Telescoping Cover
 - Hive Tool
 - Helmet
 - Veil
 - Smoker
 - Smoker Fuel
 - Gloves
 - One Medium Honey super and Frames/Foundation
 - Queen Excluder

In turn, the participant can expect some expenses to be successful. They may be such things as:

- Additional Honey Supers and Frames
- Disease and parasite prevention
- Extraction equipment or rental fees
- Honey containers
- Others



Utah County Beekeepers Association Bee A Beekeeper Program Application and Contract

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Address where the Bees will be kept: _____

Eligibility: The Bee a Beekeeper program is open to any student, grades 3-12 who is currently enrolled in a Utah County or Salt Lake County school (public or private).

Program Rules:

Equipment and Maintenance:

1. Bees, equipment and tools provided must be kept and cared for properly.
2. The participant and the Utah County Beekeepers Association will jointly own the bees, equipment, and tools until the conclusion of the program (one calendar year). At that point, they will become the property of the participant.
3. The participant agrees to pay any additional costs associated with the program.
4. If the participant moves from Utah or Salt Lake County or does not follow the provisions of this contract, they will forfeit their ownership to any bees, equipment or tools supplied by the Utah County Beekeepers Association.
5. The participant hereby acknowledges that the Utah County Beekeepers Association assumes no responsibility for any accident that may occur during my participation in the program.

Academic and Community Service

6. Participants will send a "Thank You" note to their sponsors and a copy of this letter will be provided to the Utah County Beekeepers Association.
7. Participants will supply two letters, i.e. June and October, to their sponsors indicating the progress of their hive. Follow the written requirement format.
8. Participants will supply at least two letters of progress, i.e. June and October, for the year to the Utah County Beekeepers Association. Follow the written requirement format.
9. Participants will attend at least three association meetings throughout the year (membership to the association is included for the duration of the program).
10. Two public speaking engagements which may include any of the following venues: association meetings, farm field days, county or state fairs, and/or school classrooms. Report given may follow the outline of the written requirement.

This contract is to be properly signed and returned to the Utah County Beekeepers Association by Friday, February 12th, 2010 along with the written portion.

Required Signatures:

Applicant: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____