



# WORKINGFIRES FOUNDATION

## Young Science Communicators Contest Consent Form

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby give my consent for my minor child, \_\_\_\_\_, to participate in the Young Science Communicators Contest organized by Working Fires Foundation. I acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions outlined below on behalf of myself and my minor child:

### 1. Contest Details:

- Contest Name: Young Science Communicators Contest
- Contest Deadline: 3/1/24

### 2. Rules & Eligibility:

- Eligibility:** Open to all entrants ages 14-24, worldwide. Participants under the age of majority in their country of residence must have parental or guardian consent to participate. Ages 14–18 must enter the Junior Division. Ages 19—24 must enter the Senior Division. Please enter the age division based on your age at the time of entry. Employees of Working Fires Foundation ("WFF"), their immediate family members, and any person involved in the organization or running of the contest are not eligible to participate.
- Entries:** Multiple submissions are allowed.
- Legal Jurisdiction and Compliance:** By entering this Contest, participants agree to comply with their local laws and regulations regarding participation in contests. Participants are responsible for ensuring their participation is legal in their country of residence. WFF is not responsible for any legal violations incurred by participants.
- Prizes:** 10 winners from each of 2 categories (writing, all other media). Five winners will be chosen from the Junior Division of each category; 5 winners from the Senior Division of each category. Each winner will be published in an anthology or on the website; all winners will receive three free copies. One first place winner overall in the Senior Division will receive \$1,000; one first place winner overall in the Junior Division will receive \$500. No royalties on the book will be given. Prizes will be delivered via bank transfer, subject to the laws and regulations of the winner's country of residence. WFF is not responsible for any bank fees, currency exchange fees, or taxes incurred by the winner as a result of prize receipt.
- Data Protection:** WFF will collect, store, and use participants' data in accordance with all relevant data protection laws, including the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) for EU residents, and our privacy policy.

- F. Marketing: WFF reserves the right to use entrants' work for marketing and promotional purposes in any and all media.
- G. Language, Originality, and AI: Writing must be original, written in English (to ensure fair judging and consistency across entries), and must not have been previously published or won any awards. Works quoted or referenced must be properly cited. Use of AI is allowed; however, quotation marks must be used and the AI cited. Works entirely written by AI will be disqualified. AI-generated visual and audio art is allowed but must be acknowledged as such and the platform cited.
- H. Authenticity: WFF reserves the right to verify the eligibility of all participants and the authenticity of their entries.
- I. Disqualification: WFF reserves the right to disqualify any submission if the participant fails to comply with the contest rules, local laws, or if WFF is unable to verify the participant's age or residency status.
- J. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution: This contest is governed by the laws of the United States. In the event of any dispute arising out of or in relation to the contest, the participant agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in the United States.
- K. Deadline: Contest entries must be received by 3/1/24 11:59 p.m. EST. Late or incomplete entries will not be considered. Submissions close automatically at the Contest deadline. Please plan accordingly!
- L. Judges: WFF will run this Contest fairly, ethically, and with integrity. By entering the Contest, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges, which are final and binding. Winners will be notified by email before they are publicly announced.
- M. Rules: WFF reserves the right to modify these rules at any time without notice.
- N. This Contest is void where prohibited by law.

### 3. Media Release:

- I hereby grant Working Fires Foundation permission to use photographs, video footage, or other media recordings created by my minor child as entry into the contest and for promotional purposes, including but not limited to websites, social media, newsletters, and press releases.

### 4. Liability and Waiver:

- I agree that Working Fires Foundation, its officers, volunteers, and staff will not be held liable for any accidents, injuries, losses, or damages that may occur during the contest, to the fullest extent permitted by law, or after participation in the contest.

- I assume full responsibility for any medical expenses or treatment that may be necessary in the event of any injury or illness during or after the contest.

### 5. Parent/Guardian Consent:

- I confirm that I am the parent or legal guardian of the minor child mentioned above.

- I have read this consent form, understand its contents, and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

By signing below, I indicate my consent for my minor child's participation in the Young Science Communicators Contest and acknowledge that I have read and understood all the provisions of this consent form.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Minor's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Signature (if required): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Note: Make sure to retain copies of signed consent forms for your records.