

# 2025 Cayuga County Conservation Field Days Essay Contest

Each year we encourage teachers to have their students complete an essay about the most important thing they learned at Conservation Field Days. This can be completed in class, as homework, or just for fun/extra credit.

- Topic: "The Most Important Thing That I Learned at Conservation Field Days"
- Prizes will be awarded for the top three essays.

Essays should:

- Be neatly written or typed
- Length should not exceed 350 words (approximately)
- Be on 8.5 x 11" sized paper (can be written on provided handouts)
- Consider grammar, spelling, and content to the best of student's abilities
- Not contain graphics, pictures, or drawings
- Focus on only one station
- Include student's name, teacher's name, school's name, and essay title (essays lacking this information will not be eligible for prize awards)

**Essays are due on November 1, 2025**

Essays can be mailed to:

Cayuga County SWCD  
Attn: Valerie Horning  
7413 County House Rd  
Auburn, NY 13021

**\*New in 2025\***

The Cayuga County SWCD can pick up essays at your school if mailing essays is a limiting factor. Please email [vhorning@cayugaswcd.org](mailto:vhorning@cayugaswcd.org) to let us know if you would like us to pick up your student's essays and we can get them when we are in the field in your area!

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Topic: The Most Important Thing That I Learned at Conservation Field Days

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Write an essay, no more than 350 words, about the most important thing you learned at Conservation Field Days. Focus on only one station you visited. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 essays.