



# IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER ESSAY CONTEST

## BACKGROUND

All our city's water depends on Houston's water system. The water system includes things like pipes and treatment plants. People in Houston use about 127 gallons of water each day at home (that's 37 gallons more than the average American). Most water at home is for drinking, bathing, washing clothes & dishes, and flushing toilets. Huge amounts of water help produce food, energy, and other products. 50% of the water that gets used outdoors goes to waste right now. Houston needs your help to save water.

## TOPIC

Think about all the things you do in a day that require water and imagine a day in Houston without water. What would your day be like without water? How might you use water differently?



## PRIZES

One student & one teacher from each level will get a \$200 gift card. Teachers earn more entries for each student that submits a complete essay.



## ESSAY DEADLINE

OCTOBER 16, 2019



# RULES

1. Open to all City of Houston 1st - 8th grade students in public, private & homeschool
2. At most 300 words
3. Email entries to: [waterworks@houstontx.gov](mailto:waterworks@houstontx.gov)
4. Questions? Call 832.395.3791

All entries must be emailed to [waterworks@houstontx.gov](mailto:waterworks@houstontx.gov) by October 16, 2019. All essays become the property of Houston Public Works. Houston Public Works has the right to display or otherwise use the submission for future promotions.

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**PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE INFORMATION BELOW WITH STUDENT'S ESSAY FOR ENTRY.**

## STUDENT

Name:

Age:

School:

Grade:

## TEACHER

Name:

Email:

## CATEGORY LEVELS

(include student's level)

- One - 1st & 2nd grade
- Two - 3rd & 4th grade
- Three - 5th & 6th grade
- Four - 7th & 8th grade

