



## 2004 RISK MANAGEMENT WRITING CONTEST

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**Managing risk** may not be a subject one would normally hear walking down the hall of a typical high school. It is, however, a topic that many Ag Ed students will face if they decide to pursue a career in agriculture.

### · **Writing Contest**

The Risk Management Writing Contest provides students with an opportunity to learn about risk management and apply risk management tools.

### · **Take The Challenge**

Just as the eagle symbol on the National FFA Emblem serves as a reminder of our freedom and our ability to explore new horizons, developing a risk management strategy could open a new horizon for your Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) program.

### · **To Enter**

FFA students should select a risk management strategy relative to their SAE program; analyze the risk; indicate tools used to minimize risk; and explain how these tools can be applied to their SAE program. Then complete a

1000-word essay on Risk Management Strategies for Your SAE, and mail it to: Risk Management Writing Contest, ATTN: Risk Management Coordinator, National FFA Organization, P.O. Box 68960, Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960. **All entries must be postmarked by January 31, 2004.**

Ten national winning essays will be selected on the basis of content, adherence to the assigned topic, grammar, organization, originality, and creativity.

### · **Winners**

Ten lucky winners and their advisors will travel to Washington, D.C., all expenses paid, for a special USDA, Risk Management Agency, FFA Day in April 2004.

### · **Contest Sponsorship**

This contest is offered by the National FFA Organization in cooperation with the National Council for Agricultural Education with funding from USDA's Risk Management Agency.

**For Contest  
Rules, see:**

[www.rma.usda.gov](http://www.rma.usda.gov)

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