Who are we?

The Nebraska Writing Project is a network of teachers, kindergarten through college, devoted to the improvement of writing and the teaching of writing.

Our core beliefs are:

1. The best teachers of writing are writers themselves.
2. Teachers provide the best instruction for other teachers.
3. Anyone, no matter their ability level, can improve their writing in a supportive context with other practicing writers.
4. True school reform comes through democratic partnerships across grade levels.
5. Teachers, students and communities benefit when teachers form networks with other teachers and draw on collective expertise.

For more information about NeWP go to: http://www.unl.edu/newp
The Nebraska Writing Project is excited to announce the dates and locations of this year’s Youth Writing Festivals:

**Eastern Nebraska Middle School Festival (grades 6-8)**  
March 19th at Gretna High School  
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Festival Facilitator:  
Amy Tasich  
atasich@gmail.com

Early registration closes March 1st  
Late registration postmarked after March 1st

**Northern Nebraska Junior High and High School Festival (grades 6-12)**  
March 19th at Stuart Public School  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Festival Facilitator:  
Brenda Larabee  
blarabee@stuartbroncos.org

Early registration closes March 1st  
Late registration postmarked after March 1st

**Information for teachers:** We encourage teachers to attend the festival with their students so they can write alongside them. Cost per student is $20 for early registration and $30 for late registration. Registration includes a t-shirt, notebook, and pencil (subject to availability with late registrations). There are scholarships available; please contact the festival facilitators if you need further information. In addition, student work from the festival will be published in an online anthology and will be available for viewing after the festival.

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*Students should bring a sack lunch*

Send registration and payment to:  
Nebraska Writing Project - Youth Festival  
Email brooke1@unlnotes.unl.edu  
Phone (402) 472-1807  
Address 2 Andrews — Eastern Nebraska Middle School Festival  
University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
Lincoln, NE 68588 - 0333

I give permission for my son/daughter’s photo and or video likeness to be used for Nebraska Writing Project materials.  
_____Yes  
_____No

Parent/guardian signature

I give permission for my son/daughter’s writing from the NeWP Youth Writing Festival to be published at a later date.  
_____Yes  
_____No

Parent/guardian signature

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