



Rock It, Don't Stop It – Double Dutch Writing Contest

Hello Writers!

Welcome to the **Fantastic Four Double Dutch Co. Writing Contest!**
This packet will tell you everything you need to know so you can enter the contest and do your best.

If you or your family have questions, you can call someone on the Writing Committee:

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Contest Rules

1. WHO CAN ENTER?

You can join the contest if:

- You are in **6th, 7th, or 8th grade**
- You are **10–14 years old**

Your essay must be **your own writing**. You cannot use computers or AI to write it for you.

2. WHAT SHOULD YOU WRITE ABOUT?

Your essay must be about **Double Dutch**.

You must start your essay with this exact sentence:

“Double Dutch is more than a game”

After that, you can write about:

- Why you love Double Dutch
- What it means to you
- How it makes you feel
- What you've learned from it
- Your team or your experiences

3. HOW LONG SHOULD IT BE?

Your essay should be:

- **500–700 words**
- Single space, Typed

You also need a **cover page** with:

- Your essay title
- Your name
- Your age
- Your contact information
- Email and Phone number

4. HOW DO YOU TURN IT IN?

You must send your essay by:

July 1, 2026 – before 11:59 PM EST

Upload as **PDF or Word document** to the **Google Form** link on the web page.

Any issues please contact:

***Fantasticfourdoubledutch@gmail.com** or contact a committee member*

5. HOW WILL YOUR ESSAY BE JUDGED?

Judges will look for:

- Original ideas
- Clear writing
- Good organization (beginning, middle, end)
- Correct grammar and spelling
- How interesting your essay is to read?

6. WHAT CAN YOU WIN?

Winners may receive:

(1st, 2nd, or 3rd place)

- A cash prize or **gift card**
- A **certificate**
- A chance to have their essay **published in the newspaper.**

7. PERMISSIONS

By entering the contest, you agree that the Fantastic Four Double Dutch Co. can publish your essay online or in print.

8. HOW YOUR ESSAY WILL BE JUDGED+

Judges will score your essay out of 100 points:

- Content & Originality: 0–30 points
- Organization: 0–25 points
- Theme (Double Dutch): 0–20 points
- Language & Style: 0–15 points
- Overall Impact: 0–10 points



Entry Form

Your Name:

Your Address:

School Name:

City/State:

Grade:

Double Dutch Team (if you have one):

Parent/Guardian Name:

Best Phone Number:

This form must be filled out and returned with your essay.