

KENTUCKY SAVES

2026 PIGGY BANK DESIGN CONTEST

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WHAT: The 2026 Piggy Bank Design Contest is a creative way for youth to learn the importance of saving money and reducing debt.

WHY: To creatively celebrate Kentucky Saves Week.

WHO: School students attending public, private, or home school located within the Commonwealth of Kentucky enrolled in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

WHEN: The contest begins on: **November 10, 2025**
and ends on: **January 5, 2026**

HOW: Participants submit an original piggy bank and entry form.

RECOGNITION: Winners will have their names, grades, counties, and winning piggy banks shared via social media. Winners also will receive a certificate.

Kentucky Saves Week:

April 6-10, 2026

Kentucky Saves:

KentuckySaves.org

MoneyWi\$e:

<https://fcs.mgcafe.uky.edu/moneywise>

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2026 Piggy Bank Design Contest Official Rules

ADMINISTRATOR: University of Kentucky, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension, c/o Kelly May, 112 Erikson Hall, Lexington, KY 40506. Email: k.may@uky.edu

CONTEST DESCRIPTION: Kentucky youth are asked to celebrate Kentucky Saves Week by using their creativity to make a piggy bank.

ELIGIBILITY: Contest is open only to school students attending public, private, or home school located within the Commonwealth of Kentucky enrolled in kindergarten through twelfth grade.

HOW TO ENTER: To enter the Contest, eligible youth ("Entrants") must:

1. Create an original piggy bank design as described under Contest Timing and Entry Requirements.
2. Submit Entry and Official Entry Form to Your Local County Cooperative Extension Office. Your County Extension Office Contact Information may be obtained at <http://extension.ca.uky.edu/county>. Entries must be delivered to the Cooperative Extension Office by: **January 5, 2026**
3. Winning Entries at the area level must be selected by February 9, 2026.

CONTEST TIMING:

Submit Entry by deadline. Must be submitted by: **January 5, 2026** to your local county extension office. Each Entry must be accompanied by an official Entry Form.

One (1) Entry per person during the Contest period. In the event more than one (1) Entry is received from any one person, the first Entry processed will be considered the only valid Entry and subsequent Entries from the same person will be disqualified.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: Entries must meet the following requirements to be eligible for judging:

- a. The bank cannot exceed 12 inches X 12 inches X 12 inches (1 square foot).
- b. Piggy banks must be able to hold coins (i.e., include a slot that has been cut to insert coins).
- c. Piggy banks must be created or decorated by the youth contestant.
- d. Plastic or ceramic banks/piggy banks may be used, but must be personally decorated.

e. Piggy banks DO NOT have to be in the shape of a pig.

f. You MAY use or repurpose other containers.

g. Piggy banks must be submitted and judged through the local Cooperative Extension Office.

In addition, an Entry shall be void if it contains any material that sponsors or judges in their sole discretion deem patently offensive or inappropriate, such as, but not limited to, profanity.

By submitting an Entry, the parent/legal guardian of the Entrant represents and warrants that the entire Entry is the original work of the Entrant, not previously submitted or distributed elsewhere for any other purpose. The parent/legal guardian of the Entrant further warrants that he/she has obtained the consent of any persons/parties portrayed in the Entry. Sponsors shall have the right to use/showcase the Entry in any manner, in any and all media, without division in perpetuity without further compensation or consent. Upon request of Sponsors, the parent/legal guardian of Entrant will provide a copy of any written consent as required above.

JUDGING CRITERIA/WINNER SELECTION

AND VERIFICATION: Entries will be judged within Extension Areas by a panel of judges coordinated by the Area piggy bank delegate. Each panel of judges will select one (1) winning Entry for a possible total of 12 winners statewide — 4 per Extension Region. The judges will review all Entries and select the winners based on the following criteria: originality, creativity, artistic design, and attractiveness. Judging of Entries and the determination of the winners will be completed by: **January 30, 2026**

Photos of the winning entry with a white background should be submitted to k.may@uky.edu along with the contest entry form by this date.

The winner's name, grade, county, and winning Entry may be shared via social media.

Any Entry, or portion of any Entry, which in the sole discretion of the judges (a) defames or infringes the right of privacy or publicity or other proprietary right of any person, living or deceased, or entity; and/or (b) is offensive, profane, obscene or not in keeping with the image of the Sponsors will be disqualified.

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2026 Piggy Bank Design Contest Entry Form

Directions: Please complete entry form and submit with piggy bank entry. See Official Contest Rules for complete entry instructions.

Participant's Name: _____

County: _____

Gender: _____

Grade: _____

School: _____

Piggy Bank Name /Description: _____

Print Parent/Legal Guardian Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____

County: _____

Zip: _____

Email: _____

Parent Phone: _____

To be filled out by the Extension Agent accepting the entry:

County: _____

Extension Area: _____

Agent Name: _____

Circle One: _____

FCS _____

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Other _____