**World Food Safety Day: Food Safety Essay Competition 2024**

**Scoring Rubric - Total = 50 Marks**

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| **Criteria** | **Performance Descriptors** | **Scores** |
| Introduction  (5 marks) | Provides helpful orientation to the purpose and content of the essay;  Points are appropriately stated and sequenced. | 1. Exemplary (5 marks) 2. Proficient (4 marks) 3. Acceptable (3 marks) 4. Needs improvement (2 marks) 5. Unacceptable (0-1 mark) |
| Identification of Food Safety Topics  (9 marks) | Listing and subsequent explanation of relevant food safety topics such as:   1. Storage of foods 2. Preparation and handling of foods 3. Hygiene of food handler 4. Regulation of foods 5. Cross contamination 6. Food allergens | 1. Exemplary (9 marks) 2. Proficient (6-8 marks) 3. Acceptable (5 marks) 4. Needs improvement (3-4 marks) 5. Unacceptable (0-2 marks) |
| Evidence of research  (12 marks) | Provision of details on different food safety topics, and how food safety practices can improve quality of life for all. | 1. Exemplary (11-12 marks) 2. Proficient (8-10 marks) 3. Acceptable (6-7 marks) 4. Needs improvement (3-5 marks) 5. Unacceptable (0-2 marks) |
| Proposal of solutions to food safety challenges  (4 marks) | Demonstration of the application of knowledge gained in research to advocating ideal food safety practices. | 1. Exemplary (4 marks) 2. Proficient (3 marks) 3. Acceptable (2 marks) 4. Needs improvement (1 mark) 5. Unacceptable (0 mark) |
| Conclusion  (4 marks) | Provide information on the benefits of implementing food safety practices.  Concluding statement appropriately summarises, reiterates, and solidifies the content of the essay presentation. | 1. Exemplary (4 marks) 2. Proficient (3 marks) 3. Acceptable (2 marks) 4. Needs improvement (1 mark) 5. Unacceptable (0 mark) |
| Elements,  Presentation,  Graphics &  (6 marks) | The essay presentation contains the relevant elements specified in the instruction, makes use of an appropriate balance of text and graphics (pictures, diagrams);  exemplifies creativity; utilizes an attractive design and layout and makes the correct attributions to ideas and graphics used from the internet and other sources. These are listed on the references page. | 1. Exemplary (6 marks) 2. Proficient (5 marks) 3. Acceptable (3-4 marks) 4. Needs improvement (2 marks) 5. Unacceptable (0-1 mark) |
| References  (10 marks) | References must be traceable, (should be able to use information provided to find original source of information).  Reference must be scholarly (books, school websites, government websites, magazines, articles).  All sources must be appropriately referenced on a separate sheet. | 1. Exemplary (9-10 marks) 2. Proficient (7-8 marks) 3. Acceptable (5-6 marks) 4. Needs improvement (3-4 marks) 5. Unacceptable (0-2 mark) |