



Young Writers 3rd grade **WRITING CONTEST**

Who: All 3rd Graders in the Black Hills

What: Write a short story (300 words max.), illustrate and write a comic/graphic novel, (300 words max.), or write a poem based on one of two themes: 'What gives you strength 'like an eagle'? or 'How does the artwork in this story inspire you?'

Submission window: September 15th-October 15, 2025

Prizes: Every 3rd grader who enters the contest will receive a free ticket to a Rush game, this season. Plus, each first-place winner in every category will get a special visit from Nugget at school, and they will win a 4-person family pass to a Rush game, center ice seats! Additional prizes in store for second and third place winners, plus honorable mentions.

Submissions may be handwritten or typed.

**Please feel free to take pictures or scan
handwritten work.**

**Electronic submissions - Email:
bhreads@unitedwayblackhills.org**

**Physical - Mail: Young Writers 3rd Grade Contest
c/o United Way of the Black Hills
621 6th St. #100
Rapid City, SD 57701**

**Dropbox: Behind United Way
(Please date package)**

**See complete details and rules at
www.unitedwayblackhills.org/write**

