The “Invader Crusader” award works to educate people about the devastating impact of invasive species. Learn about invasive species that impact your chosen State-Fish Species and create your entry based on their impact.

Some examples of Aquatic Invasive Species:
- Zebra Mussels
- Quagga Mussels
- Eurasian milfoil
- Invasive Carp
- Starry Stonewort
- New Zealand Mudsnail
- Lionfish
- Red Swamp Crayfish

Artwork should include both a State-Fish and an Invasive Species.

Essay should be about the impact that the invasive species has on your state-fish and conservation efforts to protect it.

The National Award Winner will be chosen as the “Invader Crusader” from all entries in the category. (Note: Judging will be based on the combination of the quality of artwork and the content of the essay.

Please Note: Once the winner is selected, all invader crusader entries will be placed back into their age category for their state will all other entries. It is then eligible for other state and national awards. ONLY ENTER ONE PIECE OF ART as it will be eligible for both Invader Crusader and ALL other awards.