

**THE PENNSYLVANIA WRITING AND LITERATURE PROJECT
AT WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY**

PROUDLY PRESENTS

**THE FOURTH ANNUAL E-POETRY CONTEST
FOR CHESTER COUNTY STUDENTS (GRADES 1 - 12)**



**CALLING ALL POETS
WITH CREATIVE MINDS
TO WRITE ORIGINAL POEMS
EACH ONE OF A KIND!!**

HOW ARE ENTRIES SUBMITTED?

Submit via e-mail as a Word document attachment to: PAWLP@wcupa.edu
Subject Heading: E-poetry Contest
Deadline: March 31, 2012

- Guidelines and rules on the back of this flyer
- Winners announced by mid-April. All participating schools will be notified of the winners in each grade level, genre-specific, or teacher category
- Top three winners in each category receive a certificate and a writer's toolbox
- First place winner in each grade level or genre category receives a full scholarship to a Young Writer's camp in July
- Winning teacher poets will receive an honorary stipend to a PAWLP Fall or Spring Workshop and a gift card
- Winning poems will be published on the Pennsylvania Writing and Literature Project website (www.pawlp.org) and displayed at the Chester County Library in Exton

**FOR THE LOVE OF POETRY,
HAPPY WRITING!!**



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****PLEASE READ DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY.**

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE CONTEST RULES WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

WHO MAY ENTER?

All students and teachers, grades 1- 12, who attend or teach school in Chester County are eligible.

WHAT MAY STUDENTS SUBMIT?

Any form or type of poetry on any topic of interest to the writer

Students in the 9 – 12 category may enter poems in the open poetry contest and the sonnet category

WHAT FORMAT SHOULD ENTRIES USE?

Each entry should have the following information in the upper right hand corner: Student's name, Age, Grade, School, Teacher, E-mail

The title should be centered on the page, with the poem below it.

	Student's name Age Grade School Teacher E-mail
Title of Poem Body of Poem goes here ----- -----	

WHO MAY SUBMIT THE ENTRIES?

- Teachers may submit up to 3 entries from their class or classes. All identifying names and schools will be removed for the judging.
- Home-schooled students or students whose teachers are not participating may submit their work individually. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT.**

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HOW WILL ENTRIES BE JUDGED?

- Entries will be categorized by grade: 1 - 2, 3 - 5, 6 - 8, 9 – 12, sonnet category (9-12), and a teacher category. First, second, and third place winners will be chosen in each category.
- A panel of PAWLp teacher-consultants will judge all entries, using a form of the PA Domain Scoring Guide adapted for poetry. The guide is posted on the website at www.pawlp.org

WHAT WILL WINNERS RECEIVE?

- First, second, and third place winners from each grade-level and genre specific (sonnet) category will receive a certificate, a writer's toolbox and public recognition of their pieces on the Pennsylvania Writing and Literature Project website (www.pawlp.org) and in the Chester County Library in Exton
- The winning teacher poem will receive an honorary stipend to a Fall or Spring PAWLp Workshop and a gift card
- **The First Prize winner from each grade-level category will also be awarded a full Young Writers summer camp scholarship.**
- Winners will be announced in April during Poetry Month.
- Awards ceremony will be held at the Chester County Book and Music Company in West Chester on May 3, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.