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• Submit entries to:

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2024 Annual Student Poetry Contest

NO ENTRY FEE

1st prize: \$40⁰⁰

2nd prize: \$30⁰⁰

3rd prize: \$20⁰⁰

**Postmarked Deadline:
March 15, 2024**

*Entries postmarked after
March 15 will not be judged !!!*

**RE-CHECK YOUR ENTRIES FOR ACCURACY
NO PAPER CLIPS OR STAPLES, PLEASE**

CATEGORIES

LINE LIMIT • does not include titles

**GRADES
7, 8 AND 9**

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| 1. Any subject, any style | 20 lines |
| 2. Light or Humorous Poem | 20 lines |
| 3. Nature/Environmental Concerns | 20 lines |
| 4. Thoughts on Humanity | 30 lines |

CATEGORIES

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**GRADES
10, 11 AND 12**

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RULES

1. Postmarked or e-mailed by midnight March 15, 2024.
2. Poems must **NOT HAVE WON A PRIZE** in another contest nor be submitted to any other contest while being considered for CFCP, Inc. awards. If previously published, include on your copy the name of publication and publication date.
3. Enter **ONLY ONE POEM IN EACH CATEGORY** for which you are eligible (maximum of four poems).
4. **IDENTIFY EACH POEM** in the following manner:
 - a. In the upper left corner:
Category Number and Name
Grade in School
Author's Name
Author's Address, City and ZIP Code
 - b. In the upper right corner:
Teacher's First and Last Name
Teacher's e-mail address
School Name
School Address, City and ZIP Code
School Phone Number and Area Code
 - c. Below the poem, write and sign a statement that you are the sole author of that poem.

- Teachers and schools of winning students will be notified.
 - A list of winners and winning poems will be published on our website. Poems remain the property of the author, to whom all rights revert. Authors of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place poems will be invited to permit their poem(s) to be published, but they are not required to do so.
 - Teachers may assist in submitting student work, but not in the creative process.
 - Criteria for judging include: meaningful content, natural language, vivid imagery, precise word choice, effective sound patterns, legibility, correct grammar and spelling. **PROOFREAD CAREFULLY BEFORE SUBMITTING.**
 - Please visit <<http://www.ChaparralPoets.org/youthguides.html>> for information, ideas, examples, and answers to your questions.
- KEEP ORIGINALS OF YOUR WORK!** Entries will not be returned. For a list of prize winners, see the web site.
Winners will be announced by May 1, 2024. Non-conforming entries will not be judged. Language and themes **MUST BE** in good taste. Decisions of the judges are final.