

CALL
FOR ENTRIES!

POETRY CONTEST

Open to grades one to twelve!
Entries accepted until January 23

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Submission Guidelines

1. Entrants may submit **one** original poem. You may enter only **once**.
2. Poems must be the work of individuals. No collaborative efforts will be allowed.
3. Poems will be accepted **only** between **Monday, November 16, 2009** and **Saturday, January 23, 2010**.
4. Poems may be entered in the following ways:
 - ❖ *Deliver your poem to the Martin Library Children's Library at 159 E Market St, York PA 17401.*
 - ❖ *Email your poem to ameckley@yorklibraries.org. Please note: all poems submitted via email must be in Microsoft Word or .pdf format. Poems not in Microsoft Word or .pdf will not be accepted.*
5. Each poem submitted must have the following information in the upper right-hand corner:
 - a) Entrant's Name
 - b) Parent's Name
 - c) Phone Number with Area Code
 - d) Grade
 - e) Name of School

Poems entered without the proper identification will be disqualified!

6. Poems should be typed or neatly printed.
7. Poems will become the property of Martin Library and **will not** be returned. Please keep a copy of your poem for yourself.
8. Entry categories are as follows:
 - a) Grades one and two
 - b) Grades three and four
 - c) Grades five and six
 - d) Grades seven and eight
 - e) Grades nine and ten
 - f) Grades eleven and twelve

There will be a first, second and third place winner in each category.

9. Poems will be judged by a panel of independent judges no later than four weeks after the deadline, and the winners will be contacted directly. All winners will be contacted no later than February 27, 2010.
10. Winning poems will be compiled into a booklet that each winner will receive and that will be placed in circulation in the Children's Library.
11. Poems will be judged on originality of content, style, creativity and presentation.
12. All winners will be invited to read their poems at "A Celebration of Poetry," Martin Library's 22nd Annual Poetry Night, on March 25, 2010.

For more information, please contact Children's Library at 846-5300 ext. 242
or email ameckley@yorklibraries.org