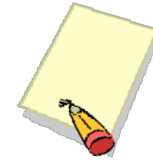













Young Authors' Contest

Deep Run Elementary School



Who: Students in Grades 1 - 5

What: Write a poem or short story

-  Each entry must be **original work** written within the last year by a single author. Each entry may not have been previously submitted to this contest.
-  Peers or adults may provide editing assistance (spelling, punctuation, etc.), but revisions should be student-generated, and the final product must be the student's own work.
-  All entries must use no less than **12-point font** in **Times New Roman**. It is encouraged to email the entree(s) as a **Microsoft Word Document** to audrey_owens@hcpss.org.
-  Short story entry must range between **100-400** words (gr. 1-2) and **300-800** words (gr. 3-5).
-  Poem entry will consist of a single poem, any style, and must range between **25-150** words.
-  Students may submit to both categories of poetry and short story, if desired.
-  Entries must **not** include graphics.
-  All entries must include a **completed cover sheet** signed by the **parent** and submitted as a separate **PDF file**. Parental verification may also be confirmed via a digital signature.
-  Entries avoid bias against any group of people and should include school-appropriate topics.

DEADLINE:
ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA
EMAIL TO YOUR SCHOOL'S CHAIRPERSON
audrey_owens@hcpss.org at
BY JANUARY 20, 2022

ONE winner PER category PER school will advance to county-level judging.

BEST OF LUCK!



YOUNG AUTHORS' CONTEST COVERSHEET

2021 – 2022

Please open the “PDF Marking Toolbar” to use the “Freehand Tools” or “Signature” to fill in the fields and add your signature. Or, you may use Annotate under the Tools menu. Information will be used for digital publication.

Student/Author's Name: *Must be included	Student's name as it should appear in the publication
Preferred Pronouns:	Circle one: he/him she/her they/their
Home Address:	Street address: city, state, zip:
Preferred Phone Number:	(Is this a home or cell #?)
Parent's Email Address: *Must be included	
Student Email Address & Phone (Optional)	(For high schoolers only)
Teacher's Email Address:	
School Name	
Grade:	
Teacher: (First & Last Name)	Mr./Mrs./Ms. (circle one)
Local Reading Chapter:	Howard County Literacy Association
Title of Entry:	
Type of Entry:	Circle one: POEM (P) SHORT STORY (SS)

Parent Permission

I, _____, attest to the authenticity of my child's
Print/type first and last name
 original work and give permission for HCLA representatives to publicize my child's name and reproduce the work in an anthology of writing in the event that your child becomes a winner.

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(Signature is required)