

A. R. AMMONS POETRY CONTEST – 2019

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Preservation Society and *The News Reporter*

Contest Rules:

1. Original poems may be entered in Divisions I through IV by any student who is now a resident of Columbus County or attends school in Columbus County at the time of submission.
2. The first four poetry divisions are as follows: Div. I: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade; Div. II: 3rd - 5th Grade; Div. III: 6th - 8th Grade; Div. IV: 9th - 12th Grade. The school grade as of Feb. 15, 2019 determines the Division for each student.
3. Division V shall be for original poetry written by students enrolled in undergraduate college coursework. Eligible individuals will be those enrolled at the time of submission in an undergraduate course in a North Carolina college or technical school or those enrolled in out-of-state undergraduate institutions who are residents of Columbus County. Students simultaneously enrolled in college and high school may choose the division in which they compete, but may compete in only one division.
4. Prizes will be awarded as follows: All Divisions - Monetary prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places; certificates for Honorable Mention. All entries will be judged anonymously by a committee, and all prizes will be awarded solely at the discretion of the judges.
5. All entries must be accompanied by a separate Official Entry Form or a copy. A student may enter up to **three** poems. **THE STUDENT'S NAME SHOULD NOT APPEAR ON THE POEM(S), ONLY ON THE ENTRY FORM(S).** Entries may be mailed in by student, parent or school personnel, but **THE STUDENT MUST SIGN THE ENTRY FORM PERSONALLY.**
6. This year's entries must be **postmarked by February 16, 2019** and must be received by the Committee Secretary no later than **February 23, 2019**. Any changes due to weather will be announced on reubenbrownhouse.com.

7. Mail entries to: Mrs. Hilda Ray, Secretary
A. R. Ammons Poetry Contest
P. O. Box 2147
Whiteville, NC 28472

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Student's Name (Mr., Ms.) _____ E-Mail _____ Division _____
Street Address _____ City, State and Zipcode _____
Parent or Guardian (Div. I thru IV) _____ Phone Number(____) _____
Name of School or College _____ Grade (Div. I – IV only) _____
Language Arts/English Teachers's Name (Div. I – IV only) _____
Name of Poem _____

I state that this is my own original poem. I understand that this copy of my poem will not be returned to me, and I give permission for my poem to be published by the Contest.

_____ (Signature of Student)