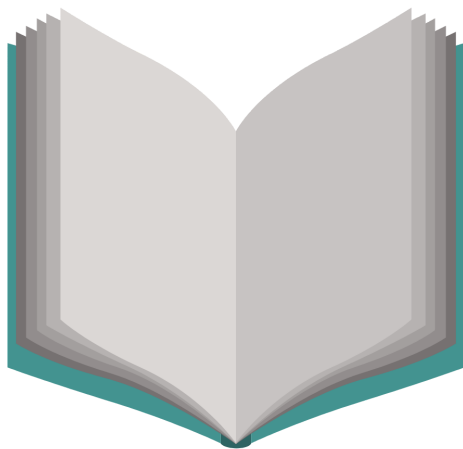


**Manningham Trust
Student Poetry Contest
Grades 6-12
Original Poetry
Competition**



Poetry Society of Indiana (PSI)
Manningham Trust Student Poetry Contest (MTSPC)
Contest Information and Guidelines

Poetry Society of Indiana (PSI) is a non-profit 501C3 organization.
Find out more at poetrysocietyofindiana.org

In conjunction with the *National Federation of State Poetry Societies (NFSPS)*, PSI hosts Indiana's statewide annual *Manningham Trust Student Poetry (MTSPC)* contest. The contest is open to all Indiana students grades 6-12.

Writing guidelines, submission information, closing dates, and information on prizes are included on the next page in this packet.

You are receiving this information because

- you are a PSI member and this is a plea for you to take this information to your local public, private, or home-schooled groups
- you are a student and have entered in previous years
- you are a Language Arts instructor in Indiana
- you are interested in youth poetry and/or know youth poets

Feel free to copy and share this information with anyone who fits within the guidelines of this contest.

PSI continually works to promote poetry in Indiana, and we thank you for your consideration.

Questions concerning the contest can be directed to PSI at poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com



POETRY SOCIETY OF INDIANA
MANNINGHAM TRUST STUDENT POETRY Contest Rules of Entry

1. Available to ALL Indiana students (public, private, and home-schooled) in Grades 6-12.

- Junior division: Grades 6-8.
- Senior Division: Grades 9-12. One entry per student

2. **FORMATTING GUIDELINES:** Each poem should be neatly typed in Times New Roman 12pt font, using black ink on white paper. Poems should be single spaced, have a title, and have no more than 35 lines, including space lines with each line having no more than 60 characters including spaces and punctuation. No illustrations.

3. Submit two (2) copies of each poem, in Microsoft Word documents using Times New Roman 12pt font single spaced.

- UPPER LEFT corner of both copies indicates Junior or Senior Division.
- UPPER RIGHT corner of **SECOND** copy includes student name, address, email address, school name (or state "Home School"), teacher's name, and student's grade level.
- BOTTOM of PAGE on **SECOND COPY:**
 - include Declaration of Originality: "I certify that this poem is my original work and has not been copied in whole or in part from any author's poems." Followed by student signature.
 - include PERMISSION TO PUBLISH statement: "If chosen as a first, second, or third place winner in either division, I give permission to publish my work in the annual PSI anthology, *Ink to Paper*, and to have my picture published on the PSI website." Followed by student name and parent/guardian signature.

Note: Poets retain all rights to their work after publication and there are no publication fees.

4. **STATE PRIZES:** Each division awards: First \$50; Second \$30; Third \$20. Places 4-7 will receive *Honorable Mention* Certificates. Notification of awards will be given in early April along with an invitation to read at the PSI *Spring Fling* Event, held each year in April.

5. **NATIONAL AWARDS** for Indiana's First, Second, and Third Place winners: poems will be entered into the national *Manningham Trust Student Poetry Contest* with winners notification given in May. Each winning student's school will receive a complimentary national awards booklet.

6. Indiana's PSI *Manningham Trust Student Poetry Contest* entries must be submitted no later than **January 31** and emailed to poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com

7. Questions may directed to poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com; please put "To Manningham Chair" in subject line.