



Poetry Society of Indiana

Young Voices Annual Poetry Contest

for Grades 3 - 12

Guidelines & Submission Form

Contest Website:

<https://www.poetrysocietyofindiana.org/psi-young-voices-annual-poetry-contest.html>

Submission window open May 1 to September 15

Annual Deadline: submissions must be received by September 15

Winners may be invited to read their poems at PSI's annual [Fall Rendezvous Convention](#) event in October. First place winners in each category **may be published** in [Ink to Paper](#) (PSI's annual publication), on the PSI website <https://poetrysocietyofindiana.org>, and across PSI's social media platforms (public Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter).

Guidelines:

- Open state-wide to public, private, and homeschool students in grades 3 – 12
- Recommendation by a teacher required
- Original unpublished work only
- One poem submission per student
- 30 line limit (including blank lines)
- No submission fee

Required Format for POEMS:

Poems must be in a Word or Google document:

- DO NOT INCLUDE POET NAME
- single spaced
- Times New Roman 12 point font

Contest Categories:

Category 1: Grades 3 & 4

Category 2: Grades 5 & 6

Category 3: Grades 7 & 8

Category 4: Grades 9 & 10

Category 5: Grades 11 & 12

How to Submit:

All poems and Submission Forms must be submitted to poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com using one of the following:

- regular email with Word document (.doc, .docx) attachments
- a shared Google document
- if you submit using regular email, please put "PSI Young Voices Annual Poetry Contest (insert Your Name) " in the email subject line

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SUBMISSION FORM

Please include this form with your submission:

Student Name:

Student Address:

Student Contact Email:

Student Age (at time of submission):

Student Grade (in current academic school year at time of submission):

Contest Category #:

School Name (if homeschooled, please put **Homeschooled**):

School Address:

Recommending Teacher's Name:

I/we verify that the work I am/we are submitting is my/our own. I/we give Poetry Society of Indiana (PSI) permission to share winning poems in print and/or across PSI's digital platforms. I/we agree to follow all other guidelines as outlined in this document.

Student's Name (legal signature)

Student's Name (printed)

Date

If under 16, also include:

Guardian's Name (legal signature)

Guardian's Name (printed)

Date

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact
[**poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com**](mailto:poetrysocietyofindiana@gmail.com)