

Abydos Learning International New Jersey Writing Project in Texas

2012



Dana Kay Barber
Writing Awards

Categories:

PreK-2 Grades Prose
PreK-2 Grades Poetry

Grades 3-5 Prose
Grades 3-5 Poetry

Grades 6-8 Prose
Grades 6-8 Poetry

Grades 9-12 Prose
Grades 9-12 Poetry

Entry Deadline Postmark
February 15, 2012



Rules and Guidelines

All Pre Kindergarten through twelfth grade students currently enrolled in a class of a teacher who has completed an Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas Three-week Writing Institute are eligible to enter. No guest teacher/substitute teacher or nonclassroom assignment teacher's students are allowed to enter.

Student work must be postmarked by February 15, 2012. Winners will be announced at the Abydos/NJWPT Trainers' and Teachers' Annual Conference. All winners will be notified prior to the conference so that they may arrange to attend. Cost of attendance is the sole responsibility of the winners.

Teachers may inform the students of the opportunity to submit an entry for the competition, with a limit of one entry per student in the grade-appropriate category. Teachers may not mandate that students enter the competition or otherwise pressure students to submit work. Students may voluntarily select one original, polished piece of writing to enter in the grade-appropriate category.

All entries should be in keeping with the high standards of Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas publications. Graphic or violent content is inappropriate.

All entries must be accompanied by the completed entry form, which must contain a parent or guardian's signature. These signatures must be legible. Difficult to read entry forms will be disqualified.

Entries are for the following categories:

- Pre K-2 - Prose
- Pre K-2- Poetry
- Grades 3-5 Prose
- Grades 3-5 Poetry
- Grades 6-8 Prose
- Grades 6-8 Poetry
- Grades 9-12 Prose
- Grades 9-12 Poetry

All entries must be the original work of the students, not a copy or imitation of the writing of another author whose work students may have read or seen on TV or in films. The writing may not come from compact discs, online/computer sources, CD-Roms, or magazines. If pieces are discovered to be plagiarized, the original authors will be notified.

All entries must be typed, double-spaced, with one-inch margins, using a 12 point font (12 characters per inch).

Poetry entries are generally one to 200 lines.

Prose entries are generally one to twenty pages.

Classroom teachers, parents, and others who offer assistance to students as they revise and edit their work must not inject their own ideas into the students' work. Others may only assist students as they edit their pieces for spelling, capitalization, and punctuation. It is appropriate to point out gaps and inconsistencies, to ask questions that encourage students to brainstorm, to consider alternatives, and to develop their own ideas. It is not appropriate to revise, write, or generate ideas for the student.

Submissions will NOT be returned.

All entries become the property of Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas. All entries selected as award winners remain the property of Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas for two years. At the end of that period, Abydos/ New Jersey Writing Project in Texas retains non-exclusive publishing rights. Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas does not copyright individual works, only Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas publications in which they appear. For permission to use an Abydos/New Jersey Writing Project in Texas work in any way, please write Abydos/NJWPT, 23011 Northcrest Dr., Spring, Texas 77389.

Entries should be sent to:

Dana K. Barber Writing Awards
 Abydos/NJWPT
 23011 Northcrest Drive
 Spring, TX 77389

Entries must be postmarked no later than February 15, 2012.

Group submissions will be disqualified. Each student will submit his or her work on an individual basis.

All names and school affiliation go on the entry form. Only the title should appear on the submission. Any piece with student name and/or school name will be automatically disqualified.

Student Writing Entry Form

Dana K. Barber Student Writing Awards Competition

Send all entries to Dana K. Barber Writing Awards, Abydos/NJWPT, 23011 Northcrest Drive, Spring, TX 77389
 All entries must be postmarked by February 15, 2012.
 Please print or type.

Name: _____ Please print
 First _____ Middle Initial _____ Last _____

School: _____ School District: _____

School Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

School Phone Number: Area Code (____) _____ School Email: _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone Number: Area Code (____) _____ Email: _____

Teacher's Name: _____ Email: _____

NJWPT Writing Institute Attendance _____ Place: _____

Year: _____

Title of submission: _____

Statement of Originality

I am submitting an original piece of writing to the Dana K. Barber Student Writing Award contest. I have not copied the work of another author in whole or part. I have not changed parts of any work from any source such as, but not limited to, compact discs, CD-Roms, online sources, and/or any printed material including magazines. I understand that such copying would be plagiarism. I further understand that if I plagiarize, I will be disqualified from the competition and NJWPT will notify the original author, which could result in legal action against me.

I promise that the work I am submitting is entirely my own work.

Submitting this work is my choice. This work is NOT being sent because of a classroom assignment.

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Teacher Signature: _____

Parent Permission _____

Print Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Print Teacher's Name: _____

School District: _____

I hereby give my permission to have my child's work submitted to the Dana K. Barber Student Writing Award competition and for my son/daughter to be photographed or video taped if he or she is an award winner. My child's winning entry may be published in an official publication of the New Jersey Writing Project in Texas.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Parent Name: _____