

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE December 15, 2023

Send all entries to: Rhoda Zucker, 1223 Carriage Dr. East Aurora, NY 14052
or

e-mail using **Microsoft Word but NOT PDF** to: acz2@roadrunner.com

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YOUTH POETRY AND SHORT STORY CONTESTS

Open to all students in grades K - 12

RULES:

1. Youth (**Grades K-12**) may enter one poem and/or one short story.
2. Authors must be of amateur status: earnings from writings must not exceed \$500 annually.
3. Manuscripts entered may not have been published prior to the competition and must be original work of the author.
4. Entries should be written on word processors or typewriters and double-spaced, with minimum margins of 1" on all sides on 8 ½" x 11" paper. Spelling counts.
5. Short stories limited to 2000 words.
6. Poems can be any style with a minimum length of eight lines and maximum of 50 lines.
7. All entries must be written during the contest calendar year.
8. The Six Traits of Writing will be used in the judging.
9. Entries **MUST** have the following on the **TOP RIGHT HAND CORNER OF EACH PAGE:**
 - author's name, email address, mailing address, telephone number
 - name of school, school address, and grade
 - name of local club, district, and state (New York State Federation of Women's Clubs)
 - Category (short story or poetry)
 - Title of work
 - Grade level category: Category 1: Grades K, 1 and 2; Category 2: Grades 3, 4 and 5; Category 3: Grades 6, 7 and 8; Category 4: Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12

I'll pick up entries on Monday 12/11