



FAIR POET SPRING CONTEST

Fair Poet Contest Rules & Guidelines

Theme: Empathy

Atticus Finch explains to Scout the concept of empathy in *To Kill a Mockingbird*. "You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view," he says. "Until you climb into his skin and walk around in it."

Reflect on this theme and quote while writing your poem.

- Any student attending Fairport Harding Junior/High School in grades 6-12 is eligible to submit a poem.
- All artwork must be on the same page as the poem. All artwork must be original (no tracing).
- All poems and/or artwork must be on an 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper.
- Every poem must have a student ID number in the upper left-hand corner of the document. Please do not insert the ID number in the header.
- All poems must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
- All poems must have a title.
- One poem per student.
- Entries must not have been previously published or submitted anywhere else (including blogs, social media or a prior class assignment). Any entry not following these guidelines will be withdrawn from the competition.
- All final decisions are left up to the Fair Poet committee.
- In order to claim their cash prize, winners must read their poems at the **Fair Poet Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 1, 2020 @ 9:45 am.**

Grades 6-8

- First place winner will receive \$100
- Second place will receive \$50
- Third place will receive \$25

Grades 9-12

- First place winner will receive \$175
- Second place will receive \$100
- Third place will receive \$50

Fair Poet Contest deadline is March 10, 2019 at 3:00 pm.

Entries must be submitted to Mrs. Knight with a cover sheet.



Middle School Fair Poet Contest Entry Form

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Grade: _____

Poem Title: _____

The poem must be your own original work and a product of your own thinking. Contestants found in violation of any of the rules will face elimination from the competition and will be required to return any and all prize money awarded or received. Any poem submitted after the deadline will not be considered. By signing below, you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of the contest and verify that your work is your own original work.

Student Signature: _____

*A panel of three judges will select the finalists in each category. Students will then have the opportunity to vote for their favorite poem, which will be posted on the Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School Website. The winners will be determined by a combination of the judges' evaluations and the votes of the students. This contest is sponsored by Hank Werronen, an alumnus of Fairport. We would like to thank him for his generous support.



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High School Fair Poet Contest Entry Form

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Grade: _____

Poem Title: _____

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