



# Hart County

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The Hart County Charter System is proud to announce this year's system-wide winners of the Young Georgia Authors writing competition.

The purpose of the Young Georgia Authors (YGA) writing competition is to encourage students to develop enthusiasm for and expertise in their writing, to provide a context to celebrate their writing successes, and to recognize student achievement in arts and academics.

"Reading and writing skills go hand in hand and impact students for a lifetime. As a district, we are thankful for the instruction provided to our students. Our teachers are striving to intentionally grow all students as readers and writers," Hart County Charter System Associate Superintendent Jennifer Carter said. "Congratulations to all of our district winners as well as to the teachers and schools they represent! I am excited to see what the next level of competition holds for Hart County."

Each school in the Hart County Charter System achieved a system-wide winner in this year's contest.

Writings are entered into the state-level competition by winning at the tiered levels: local school, district, RESA District, and then state.

Unlike many writing competitions, YGA does not provide a prompt to which students must respond or provide any other boundaries to their genre choice or creativity beyond a 1900-word maximum length. Entries may include: Short Stories, Poetry, Essays/Literary Criticism/Analysis, Journalism, Academic/Research Reports, Personal Narratives, or Any Other Original Student Writing.

This prestigious competition has been engaging Georgia students for more than two decades and is open to any student currently enrolled in Georgia public schools, grades K-12. The competition is sponsored by the Georgia Language Arts Supervisors (GLAS) and the Georgia RESA Network with support from the Georgia Department of Education.

Attached are the Hart County Charter System's winners for each grade level and their school.