

MIKISEW SCHOOL WRITING CONTEST 2026

Calling All Grade 9–12 Students!

Show your creativity, voice, and storytelling skills in this year's writing contest.

THEME

Pimicikamak – Bridging to Resilience

Students are invited to explore stories, experiences, or ideas that reflect strength, perseverance, cultural identity, community, and resilience.

CONTEST TIMELINE

Start Date: March 2026

Submission Deadline: April 10, 2026 – 1:00 PM

Submission Location: Mikisew School Office

No late entries will be accepted.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top entries.

Special Opportunity:

One student with the best overall writing submission will be selected to read their essay at the 2026 Pimicikamak – Bridging to Resilience Conference in Winnipeg.

Travel expenses will be covered for the selected student. If the winner is under 18, travel expenses will also be covered for one accompanying parent or guardian.

WRITING REQUIREMENTS

Length: 500–800 words

Focus:

- Complex and engaging characters
- Advanced language and expressive storytelling
- Clear thematic depth connected to the contest theme

GRAMMAR EXPECTATIONS

- Advanced grammar and punctuation
- Varied and complex sentence structures
- Minimal grammatical errors

PARAGRAPH STRUCTURE

- Well-organized paragraphs (4–5 or more)
- Clear introduction, body, and conclusion
- Smooth transitions between sections

IMPORTANT RULES

Plagiarism Check: All submissions will be checked using AI plagiarism detection tools.
Teacher Support: Teachers must monitor and guide students during the writing process before submissions are made.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Typed and clearly formatted
- Include student name, grade, and teacher

Start writing today! Submit your entry by April 10, 2026, at 1:00 PM to the Mikisew School Office.

PRIZES

GRADE 9's	1 st \$100	2 nd \$75	3 rd \$50
GRADE 10's	1 st \$100	2 nd \$75	3 rd \$50
GRADE 11's	1 st \$100	2 nd \$75	3 rd \$50
GRADE 12's	1 st \$100	2 nd \$75	3 rd \$50