



2021 Writing Award Contest Winners

GOLD KEY AWARD WINNERS

Student Name	Category	Title	School	Teacher's Name
Brinda Ambal	Critical Essay	Extra, Extra, Read All About It . . .	Parkway West HS	Erin Fluchel
Abby Barton	Science Fiction & Fantasy	December	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Katie Boyd	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Yearning for Freedom	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Madeline Buchowski	Poetry	Scrambles (Sestina)	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Caiden Christensen	Critical Essay	Return to the Secret Annex	Missouri Virtual Academy	Ashley Evers
Robin Crouch	Novel Writing	The Dubiety Society	David H Hickman HS	Danielle Johnson
Makenna Dohrmann	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The City of Assail	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Jadyn Fleckal	Science Fiction & Fantasy	This is Where the Forgotten Go	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Lilyann Gardner	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Touch of a Hand	Bishop Le Blond HS	Kerry Shepherd
Grace Gomez-Palacio	Poetry	Remember Me After I Die as a Girl Who . . .	David H Hickman HS	Nancy White
Grace Gomez-Palacio	Short Story	Story(s/t)eller	David H Hickman HS	Nancy White
Grace Gomez-Palacio	Writing Portfolio	On Living and Afterwards	David H Hickman HS	Nancy White
Lauren Inazu	Humor	Candy's Guide to Santa	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Jenna Jennings	Flash Fiction	Liebe Dich	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Teresa Jiang	Personal Essay & Memoir	Tidal	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez
John Kotzman	Poetry	The Ugly Duckling Fractured Fairy Tale	Lansing HS	Casey McCord
Jenna Lin	Flash Fiction	Six Steps to Freedom	John Warner Middle School	Tara Frearson
Jenna Lin	Flash Fiction	Weapons of Life	John Warner Middle School	Tara Frearson
Jenna Lin	Poetry	the chemical beauty	John Warner Middle School	Tara Frearson
Jenna Lin	Poetry	death's pamphlet	John Warner Middle School	Tara Frearson
Julianne Long	Short Story	Color of the Clouds	-	Abby Long
Allison Loudenback	Critical Essay	The Stanford Prison Experiment of 1971 . . .	Parkway Central HS	Sarah Burgess
Molly Magarian	Novel Writing	Til Death Do Us Part	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Gabrielle Martell	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Job	Olathe Northwest HS	Jeannette Bonjour
Sarah Montes	Poetry	Two Coffees	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker

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Alexa Newsom	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Last Sunset	Blue Valley North HS	Christopher Smith
Malia Noel	Short Story	Disenchanted	Savannah HS	Carole Bunse
Annie Pan	Humor	Tiger Parenting: Tips and Tricks . . .	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Jeff Miller
Annie Pan	Journalism	Mulan Film Review: . . .	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Jeff Miller
Edie Patterson	Poetry	Astrology for Everyone	Bishop Seabury Academy	Matt Patterson
Ashlynn Perez	Poetry	To Abraham (In Heaven)	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Ashlynn Perez	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Quiet One	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Claire Redick	Dramatic Script	Oliver	Barstow School	Bob Kohler
Gracie Scheetz	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Chipped	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Noah Schell	Personal Essay & Memoir	Home	Parkway West HS	Erin Fluchel
Jiya Shetty	Short Story	A Nurse's Nighmare	Smithton Middle School	John Johnson
Marah Sperry	Short Story	Under The Oak	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Oviya Srihari	Flash Fiction	Gap Tooth Girls	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Cooper Stone	Short Story	Scars and Ashes	Lawrence Free State HS	Josie Clark
Cassie Sun	Flash Fiction	We Can Never Leave	Marquette HS	Judith Miller
Antonio Waltermate	Novel Writing	Warriors of the Blade	Raytown South Senior HS	Cheryl Edmondson
Yejun Yun	Short Story	Nameless Soldier	Lawrence Free State HS	Jeff Morrison
Kimberly Zhang	Flash Fiction	The Ivies	John Burroughs School	Sarah Hasselman
Celina Zhou	Personal Essay & Memoir	Faith	Ladue Middle School	Judith Miller

SILVER KEY AWARD WINNERS

Student Name	Category	Title	School	Teacher's Name
Sydney Albin	Critical Essay	Morality of Stealing a Sticker	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera
Brinda Ambal	Journalism	"People" comes first in "people of color"	Parkway West HS	Debra Klevens
Steven Tanner Ashenfelter	Flash Fiction	Cherry Red	Lawrence HS	Jonathan Harrison
Grace Ashley	Poetry	The Only Freedom He Found was . . .	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Grace Ashley	Poetry	In the Newfound Silence, . . .	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Katherine Barber	Flash Fiction	The Music Box	Troy Middle School	Jennifer McBride
Elyse Bredfeldt	Personal Essay & Memoir	Since You Have Been Gone	Staley HS	Debbie Bredfeldt
Jordan Brown	Writing Portfolio	A Seat At The Table: A Collection of Poems	Lee's Summit West HS	Maris Tucker
Madeline Buchowski	Poetry	Bunia	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Madison Buckley	Personal Essay & Memoir	He's Already Done This Once Before...	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Sara Cao	Poetry	Fairytales in the Key of Immigration	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Mina Chen	Humor	Bad to Worst High School Course Catalog . . .	Battle HS	Matt Leuchtman
Mina Chen	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Where babies are from	Battle HS	Matt Leuchtman
Winston Chen	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Fatal Immortality	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Judith Miller
Winston Chen	Short Story	Paradise	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Judith Miller
Maggie Cornell	Personal Essay & Memoir	It's Over	Jefferson HS	Nicole Boyer
Sophia Cross	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Lighthouse	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Rohan Devraj	Humor	Addressing the Witnesses of Stuffed Animal . . .	Marquette HS	Lauren Ann Williams
Sarah Ding	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Pain You Feel Today is the Strength . . .	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Sruthi Dommaraju	Poetry	And so it Begins Again	John Burroughs School	Megan Zmudczynski
Kinzey Dulin	Short Story	In This Glass House	Platte County HS	Derek Yost
Sofia Erlin	Poetry	the beginning	Clayton HS	John Ryan
Matthew Esser	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Lockeford City	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Sydnee Flowers	Short Story	Seven Minutes	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Short Story	Vietnam	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Flash Fiction	Mushu	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Writing Portfolio	Misfortunes	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Owen Front	Poetry	The Artist	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Baron Frye	Science Fiction & Fantasy	A Frozen See You Soon	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Mack Gallentine	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Pandora's Box	Blue Valley Middle School	Athena Sullivan
Adelyn Gibbs	Poetry	(Don't Take This) Beautiful Human	West Middle School	Vanessa Kline
Claire Harkins	Flash Fiction	Tangerine Vision	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Hilary Heidger	Poetry	Couplets for Mama	Nerinx Hall HS	John Henry Heidger
Campbell Helling	Short Story	Little Rebellions	Bishop Seabury Academy	Michael Pulsinelli
Josephine Hoelting	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Willow Tree	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Anisha Jarang	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Eagle's Embodiment	Clayton HS	Sean Manion
Teresa Jiang	Poetry	A Blind Person Taught Me to See in Color	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez

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Teresa Jiang	Dramatic Script	Ode to Departure	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez
Eva Kappas	Critical Essay	The Scarlet Tweet: Public Shaming . . .	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Eva Kappas	Critical Essay	Home Sweet Mansion: Houses in . . .	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Sam Kennedy	Short Story	Death of a God	Pembroke Hill School	Kim Banion
Kylie Lanzone	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Robore	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Arielle Li	Short Story	Four Stones	California Trail Middle School	Taylor Higbee
Garrett Li	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Reflection	California Trail Middle School	Taylor Higbee
Isobel Li	Poetry	halo	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker
Isobel Li	Poetry	secret garden	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker
Isobel Li	Personal Essay & Memoir	Bite-Sized Language	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker
Jennifer Li	Flash Fiction	I'll See You at 3:30	Marquette HS	Judith Miller
Roger Li	Short Story	A Normal Day	Lakewood Middle School	Jessica Jurkovac
Adam Lindsay	Flash Fiction	Distant Howl	Troy Middle School	Jennifer McBride
Allison Loudenback	Critical Essay	Romance, Recklessness, & Tragedy: . . .	Parkway Central HS	Martha Rudolph
Trisha Manna	Critical Essay	Money, Money, Money(in Politics): . . .	Parkway West HS	Erin Fluchel
Caitlyn Marshall	Flash Fiction	The Life of a Veteran	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Grace Moore	Short Story	How To Effectively Challenge Authority: . . .	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Nicole Myers	Flash Fiction	No Saved Messages	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sophia Nguyen	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Pawns and Players	Park Hill South HS	Christopher Reuscher
Malia Noel	Short Story	Young Love	Savannah HS	Carole Bunse
Sophia Nordling	Dramatic Script	Flight of Freedom	Bishop Miege HS	Elizabeth Nelson
Joohye Oh	Poetry	Dandelion Lover	Lawrence HS	Melissa Johnson
Annie Pan	Critical Essay	Taking a Stand for College Athletes	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Jeff Miller
Edie Patterson	Short Story	Faces	Bishop Seabury Academy	Matt Patterson
Ashlynn Perez	Personal Essay & Memoir	Golden Days	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Ashlynn Perez	Personal Essay & Memoir	Shelf Ghosts	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Ashlynn Perez	Writing Portfolio	Everyday Holiness	Francis Howell North HS	
Caroline Place	Critical Essay	The Importance of Education in The House . . .	Leawood Middle School	Lisa Jensen
Caroline Place	Humor	Gamer Girl	Leawood Middle School	Lisa Jensen
Elizabeth Place	Critical Essay	The Death Penalty: Who Benefits?	Blue Valley North HS	Michele Buche
Sarah Prather	Novel Writing	The Zodiac Turner: Age of Scorpius	Lansing HS	Maeve Bolin
Quinn Prouty	Poetry	i am not okay.	Lindbergh HS	Hillary Switzer
Mireya Rajendran	Poetry	A Capitalist World	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Mireya Rajendran	Poetry	There's No Light at the End of This Tunnel	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Mireya Rajendran	Short Story	The Bodies	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Rachel Robinson	Short Story	The Two of Cups	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrood Roark
Rachel Robinson	Flash Fiction	Pink Paint	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrood Roark

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Rachel Robinson	Journalism	Celebrating the Day of the Dead . . .	St Teresa's Academy	Riley Cowing
Camay Robison	Short Story	An Eternal Routine	Blue Springs South HS	Stephanie Morrow
Kaitlyn Seim	Short Story	Love (is) Sick	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Brian Sequeira	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Scavenger	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Brice Shearburn	Poetry	Cleveland Dumplings	John Burroughs School	Joy Gebhardt
Marah Sperry	Flash Fiction	Shattering Like Ceramics	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Oviya Srihari	Short Story	A Taxicab for Company	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Oviya Srihari	Short Story	En Vogue	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Trinity Umaña	Poetry	Where I Come From and Where I Am	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker
Kennedy Unruh	Personal Essay & Memoir	I'll Make You Proud One Day	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Rachael Voss	Personal Essay & Memoir	Nomad Amongst the Stars	Fort Zumwalt South	Amanda Bramley
Antonio Waltermate	Poetry	In the Fire	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Antonio Waltermate	Novel Writing	Barstool	Raytown South Senior HS	Cheryl Edmondson
Antonio Waltermate	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Ragnarok	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Iris Zhou	Poetry	The Other Side of the Coin	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Iris Zhou	Personal Essay & Memoir	Home Away From Home	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Tricia Garvey

HONORABLE MENTION AWARDS

Student Name	Category	Title	School	Teacher's Name
Rose Adams	Short Story	The Train	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Kendall Allen	Personal Essay & Memoir	Everything I Know I Learned from Billboards	John Burroughs School	Megan Zmudczynski
Rosa Alvarado	Short Story	Train Boy	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Steven Tanner Ashenfelter	Flash Fiction	The Nature of the Fly	Lawrence HS	Jonathan Harrison
Steven Tanner Ashenfelter	Poetry	Instability	Lawrence HS	Jonathan Harrison
Steven Tanner Ashenfelter	Short Story	Valuable	Lawrence HS	Jonathan Harrison
Grace Ashley	Poetry	The Weight of My Martyrdom will be Nothing Cor	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Grace Ashley	Poetry	Narcissus	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Grace Ashley	Poetry	The Modern Catechism on Our Lord and Savior Je	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Grace Ashley	Poetry	Tell Me, Is This What She Felt Like?	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrod Roark
Lucas Bernstein	Dramatic Script	Tight Space	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez
Ashlyn Berry	Poetry	Love, a collection of poems	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Allie Brace	Personal Essay & Memoir	Epiphany Essay	Blue Springs South HS	Kimberly Blevins
Sophia Brown	Short Story	Car Trip	John Burroughs School	Michael Dee
Norah Brozio	Science Fiction & Fantasy	dR.E.aM	Nerinx Hall HS	Jennifer Staed
Norah Brozio	Short Story	A Normal Morning	Nerinx Hall HS	Jennifer Staed
Norah Brozio	Novel Writing	IDEKA.	Nerinx Hall HS	Jennifer Staed
Madeline Buchowski	Poetry	Treehouse	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Madeline Buchowski	Poetry	Crickets	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Kody Bui	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Survivors	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Sara Cao	Poetry	bao	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Sara Cao	Poetry	Salad Days	John Burroughs School	Andy Chen
Ella Carmitchel	Personal Essay & Memoir	Built In Best Friend	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Catryn Cattoor	Personal Essay & Memoir	Multipotentiality	Jefferson HS	Nicole Boyer
Winston Chen	Flash Fiction	See You Soon	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Judith Miller
Megan Christensen	Short Story	Little Blue Eyes	Winston HS	Krissy Lee
Allison Clegg	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Wonders Of Literature	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Seraphina Corbo	Poetry	The Face and the Scar, Helpless	Clayton HS	Sean Manion
Brooklynn Coughlin	Poetry	It Was Getting Bad Again	Jefferson HS	Nicole Boyer
Sophia Cross	Flash Fiction	Seasons	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Sophia Cross	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Kaleidoscope	Marquette HS	Robert Durham
Owen Davis	Short Story	The Dry Tale of a Single Brown Spider	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Lauren Douglas	Critical Essay	Heritage: A Necessary Connection Revealed in Sor	Mary Institution & St Louis School	Tex Tourais
Sydney Eakin	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Clouds that Hide The Sun	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Kathryn Eckert	Critical Essay	Humans Have Ruined Art	Bishop Seabury Academy	Jeanne Averill
Kathryn Eckert	Flash Fiction	Freebird	Bishop Seabury Academy	Jeanne Averill
Margaux Eubank	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Hidden Evils of Social Media	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera

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Rachael Evans	Personal Essay & Memoir	One Book That Changed My Reading	South Valley Middle School	Staci Reichard
Sydnee Flowers	Short Story	Emily	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Short Story	Sinister Sleep	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Flash Fiction	Anxiety	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Sydnee Flowers	Personal Essay & Memoir	Concussed	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Chloe Franklin	Short Story	The Immune	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Morgan Garvey	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Euphorium City	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Bradley Glass	Poetry	Look Up	Jefferson HS	Nicole Boyer
Addie Gleason	Personal Essay & Memoir	Words Are Never Enough	Parkway West HS	Casey Holland
Grace Gomez-Palacio	Poetry	If God Had an Advice Column I Think it'd Look Like	David H Hickman HS	Nancy White
Catherine Hamilton	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Xinao	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Claire Harkins	Short Story	Crude Humanity	John Burroughs School	Jill Donovan
Megan Harrison	Short Story	Where the Wild Horses Roam	Rolla Senior HS	Star Hargis
Sadie Hattaway	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Deer in the Mist	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Hilary Heidger	Poetry	Goodbye, My Love	Nerinx Hall HS	John Henry Heidger
Campbell Helling	Short Story	Callie	Bishop Seabury Academy	Michael Pulsinelli
Sarah Herzog	Poetry	The Dying Man, Fall Blood, 10 Steps To Optimal Se	Crossroads College Prep School	Matt Cooper
Leona Hinkle	Poetry	No Thanks To You	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Julius Hollander-Bodie	Critical Essay	Frankenstein Critical Essay	John Burroughs School	Michael Dee
Verena Im	Short Story	Adventures of the Mythical Island	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Jenna Jennings	Short Story	Movie Man	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Richie Jiang	Personal Essay & Memoir	Thirty Minutes	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Kimberly Durbin
Emma Jones	Poetry	Actions Speak Louder Than Words	Platte County HS	Mary Martin
Eva Kappas	Poetry	Visionaries and Cynics	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Eva Kappas	Short Story	The Pomegranate	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Saige Kelly	Short Story	The Butterfly	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Sam Kennedy	Poetry	Aquila Exalted	Pembroke Hill School	Piper Abernathy
Yevonne Kim	Science Fiction & Fantasy	I Write Sins Not Tragedies	Pembroke Hill School	Siyeon Song
Story Kummer	Poetry	The Man	John Burroughs School	Shannon Koropchak
Yessenia Lara	Short Story	Overlooked Love	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Davin Lee	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Deal	Blue Springs HS	Aleana Balistreri
Isobel Li	Poetry	Prometheus	Olathe North HS	Deirdre Zongker
Jacob Lierman	Short Story	Don't Be That Blackbird	St Francis Borgia Reg HS	Lindsay Riegel
Ryan Linney	Short Story	The Coming Storm: Germany's D-Day	Blue Valley North HS	Christopher Smith
Anya Liu	Personal Essay & Memoir	Of Food and Familial Fondness	John Burroughs School	Michael Dee
Dinaya Maltbia	Short Story	The Orphanage	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Brenna McCall	Short Story	Escape Room	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling

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Patrick McCool	Critical Essay	Malcolm vs. Martin	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Katelin Meek	Writing Portfolio	dabbling	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Adam Miller	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Oasis	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Jaylinn Miller	Poetry	Ode to Darkness	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Ria Mirchandani	Short Story	A New Home	John Burroughs School	Jeanne Gillanders
Bianka Morgan	Short Story	Sweet Smell Of New York	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Abigail Mullen	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Scan	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Aubrey Neal	Flash Fiction	Lindsey's Story	South Valley Middle School	Ashley Brown
Jake Nelson	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Attempted Survival	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Malia Noel	Poetry	lines in the depths of humanity	Savannah HS	Carole Bunse
Annie Pan	Critical Essay	Brain-Computer Interfaces: A Look Into Privacy	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Jeff Miller
Audriana Parscale	Short Story	Flight i37	South Valley Middle School	Ashley Brown
Edie Patterson	Short Story	A Movie Theater in 1950	Bishop Seabury Academy	Matt Patterson
Chloe Pegler	Short Story	Stolen in Plain Sight	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Allison Peng	Poetry	Geoengineered	Rockwood Summit HS	Gregory Baum
Allison Peng	Science Fiction & Fantasy	At Wits' End	Rockwood Summit HS	Gregory Baum
Ashlynn Perez	Poetry	Molars	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Ashlynn Perez	Personal Essay & Memoir	Your Aching Ocean Heart	Francis Howell North HS	Jani Wilkens
Victor Petruc	Science Fiction & Fantasy	The Lich King	John Warner Middle School	Adam Alley
Elizabeth Place	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Hike: Five Minutes Longer	Blue Valley North HS	Michele Buche
Emiko Pope	Poetry	Do Not Forget This Poem	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez
Sarah Prather	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Cernunnos	Lansing HS	Maeve Bolin
Quinn Prouty	Short Story	The Lace Dress	Lindbergh HS	Hillary Switzer
Ananya Radhakrishnan	Short Story	Barfi Please	Mary Institution & St Louis School	Julia Hansen
Ananya Radhakrishnan	Writing Portfolio	I am a Cynical Strawberry	Mary Institution & St Louis School	Julia Hansen
Claire Redick	Critical Essay	Within and Without; The Irony of Moral Judgment	Barstow School	Marina Ganter
Henry Reinwart	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Fan	Christian Brothers College HS	Craig Nicoletti
Avery Rench	Short Story	Railroad Girl	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Karlee Riggs	Critical Essay	The Assassination of John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Karlee Riggs	Short Story	Flying on the Mountain	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Rachel Robinson	Personal Essay & Memoir	My Hair	St Teresa's Academy	Jarrold Roark
Marisa Rodriguez	Poetry	Coping	Truman HS	Stephanie Nagl
Aarjo Roy	Short Story	This is Not Home	Blue Valley North HS	Shelley Moran
Isabel Saccone	Humor	Goldfish	John Burroughs School	Jim Lewis
Conner Salyer	Flash Fiction	Under Fire	Troy Middle School	Jennifer McBride
Peter Schaefer	Critical Essay	Selfishness Is As Natural As Evil	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera
Emmalyn Schnieders	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Get to Mexico	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper

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Quinn Schulte	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Vigil City	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Caitlyn Scott	Short Story	Tears Fall from the Sky	South Valley Middle School	Ashley Brown
Hannah Scott	Short Story	An Unexpected Visitor	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Brice Shearburn	Poetry	A True Mirage	John Burroughs School	Joy Gebhardt
Jiya Shetty	Poetry	Monster in the Mirror	Smithton Middle School	John Johnson
Mary Kate Shultz	Humor	Back to the Drawing Board	Lawrence Free State HS	Jeff Morrison
Alexa Simpson	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Soul Behind The Silhouette	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Emma Smith	Poetry	Please Call Me Flower	Southern Boone HS	Melissa Duckett
Ethan Smith	Short Story	The Dream Reader	Platte City Middle School	Laura Hoefling
Bonnie Sneider	Critical Essay	Language Reconsidered: An Analysis of Communic	Mary Institution & St Louis School	Julia Hansen
Sophie Sokolik	Critical Essay	The Discovery of Evil's True Meaning	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera
Marah Sperry	Poetry	My Lovely Thorn Vine	Smithville HS	Angela Perkins
Oviya Srihari	Poetry	mothers' day echocardiogram	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Oviya Srihari	Poetry	girl gets knighted in the 24-hour drugstore makeu	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Oviya Srihari	Poetry	EXIT WOUNDS	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Oviya Srihari	Poetry	PARTITION AS NARRATED BY AN AMERICAN DAUC	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Emily Sullivan	Novel Writing	Serendipity or Zemblanity	Jefferson HS	Nicole Boyer
Alina Tekwani	Personal Essay & Memoir	Sunflowers	John Burroughs School	Eleanor DesPrez
Addison Theno	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Miracle	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Autumn Thomas	Poetry	Collection of poems	Paseo Academy Performing Arts	Ben Bullington
Bryn Tobin	Science Fiction & Fantasy	Earl and Roy Save the World	Discovery Middle School	Courtney Klepper
Lily Tournier	Critical Essay	The Path of Forgiveness	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera
Kalvin Verner Jr	Poetry	Pure and Other Poems	Lee's Summit West HS	Megan Goss
Rachael Voss	Personal Essay & Memoir	Sea of Frozen Stars	Fort Zumwalt South	Amanda Bramley
Rachael Voss	Short Story	Skanadooga	Fort Zumwalt South	Amanda Bramley
Antonio Waltermate	Poetry	The Drunkards Song	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Antonio Waltermate	Poetry	The Line	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Antonio Waltermate	Poetry	Long Lost Touch	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Antonio Waltermate	Poetry	The Precipice	Raytown South Senior HS	Cheryl Edmondson
Antonio Waltermate	Short Story	The Siege	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Antonio Waltermate	Writing Portfolio	Sr Portfolio	Raytown South Senior HS	Megan Willet
Anna Waters	Dramatic Script	It Doesn't Last Forever	David H Hickman HS	Nancy White
Salem Weimer	Personal Essay & Memoir	The Day Of The Year I Will Never Forget	Basehor-Linwood Middle School	Erin Tegtmeier
Ayana Williams	Short Story	Fourteen "Narrative by Ayana Williams"	Lincoln College Prep Academy	Danielle Cooper
Lillian Yanagimoto	Poetry	Armature	John Burroughs School	Annelise Gelman
Lillian Yanagimoto	Poetry	Elegy with Nautilus	John Burroughs School	Catherine Pond
Angela Yang	Short Story	Good Boy	Rolla Senior HS	Star Hargis

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Irene Zhang	Critical Essay	Moral Values Versus Banishment	Parkway Central HS	Jason Lovera
Maggie Zhang	Journalism	COVID From a March 2020 Perspective	Blue Valley North HS	Christopher Smith
Ziqi Zhang	Poetry	Untitled	Smithton Middle School	John Johnson
Iris Zhou	Science Fiction & Fantasy	FIGHTING THE NERVANA	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Tricia Garvey
Iris Zhou	Critical Essay	GEN Z: WHERE'S THE ZEAL FOR EDUCATION?	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Janet Duckham
Iris Zhou	Critical Essay	Do the "Lovers of the Poor" Truly Love the Poor?	Ladue Horton Watkins HS	Julie Blank