

Young Authors' Contest | 2024-2025 Winners

<u>Elementary (Grades 2-5)</u>					
<u>Grade Category</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Student First Name</u>	<u>Student Last Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>School</u>
Grade 1 Poetry	1	Rylen	Pedone	Dino's Life	Ocean City Elementary
Grade 1 SS	1	Evelyn	Justice	In the Castle	Ocean City Elementary
	2	Molly	DeVaughn	The Keeper of the Shiny Gem	Snow Hill Elementary
	3	Wrenna	Jones	A Dog's Icecream Shop Day	Buckingham Elementary
Grade 2 Poetry	1	Thea	Sherr	Winter	The Salisbury School
	2	Raegan	Douglas	Fall	The Salisbury School
	3	Nicole	Sebastian	Toy Box and the Crazy Fox	Worcester Preparatory School
Grade 2 SS	1	Cato	Gelman	The Octopus Discovery	Showell Elementary
	2	Nicole	Sebastian	Don't Give Up on Your Dreams!	Worcester Preparatory School
	3	Madilyn	Szymanski	Detective Fin and the Missing Pebble	Ocean City Elementary
Grade 3 Poetry	1	Siraj	Yasir	Secret of My Joy	North Salisbury Elementary
	2	Quinn	Westbrook	Camping Adventure	Buckingham Elementary
	3	Ellie	Smith	On Christmas Elf	Ocean City Elementary
Grade 3 SS	1	Gabriel	Luppens	Fuzzy Wigglebottom	North Salisbury Elementary
	2	Milton	Moreno Jimenez	Astronaut Dude vs. the Evil Aliens from Pluto	North Salisbury Elementary
	3	Finn	Fogle	Stand Up Speak Up	Ocean City Elementary
Grade 4 Poetry	1	Ostin	Cai	Cats	The Salisbury School
	2	Samantha	Kuna-Neto	Field Hockey	The Salisbury School
	3	Savannah	Green	Back to Autumn	North Salisbury Elementary
Grade 4 SS	1	Piper	Grant	The Nightmare	Showell Elementary

	2-tie	Grace	Flanagan	Angelica	Showell Elementary
	2-tie	Sarah	Allum	The Abandoned House	Showell Elementary
	2-tie	Carter	Justice	Walter's Thanksgiving Adventure	Ocean City Elementary
	3	Quinn	Kershner	The Racehorse	North Salisbury Elementary
Grade 5 Poetry	1	Charlize	Damouni	Through the Eyes of a Soldier	Worcester Preparatory School
	2	Evelyn	Caudill	Beyond a Book	Berlin Intermediate School
	3	Asher	Herard-Martin	Approaching Winter	East Salisbury Elementary
Grade 5 SS	1	Evelyn	Caudill	Cave Diving Adventure	Berlin Intermediate
	2-tie	Natalie	Garcia	Gouda Journey	Fruitland Intermediate
	2-tie	Lucy	McCarty	The Final Countdown	North Salisbury Elementary
	3-tie	Maisie	Gill	The Incurable Life of Ashton Lee	Berlin Intermediate
	3-tie	Freddy	Hertrich	Hunting In My Sleep	Worcester Preparatory School
<u>Middle (Grades 6-8)</u>					
<u>Grade Category</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Student First Name</u>	<u>Student Last Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>School</u>
Grade 6 Poetry	1	Dorie	Elliott	Family in Seasons	The Salisbury School
	2	Gianna	Baines	My Small Town	Berlin Intermediate School
	3	Ella	Goebel	The Horse	The Salisbury School
Grade 6 SS	1	Sally	Falotico	School of Magic	The Salisbury School
	2	Tabitha	Lauer	The Time Twist	Snow Hill Middle
	3	Dawt	Chin	A New Haircut	Pocomoke Middle
Grade 7 Poetry	1	Lea	Jaoude	Grief	Worcester Preparatory School
	2	Natasha	Gonzalez-DeRocher	The Little Pebble	Stephen Decatur Middle
	3	Lorelei	Broyles	The Ode to Art	The Salisbury School
Grade 7 SS	1	Paige	Rohloff	Massey Fergeson	Worcester Preparatory School

	2	Lillian	Ha	Nine Months Too Soon	Worcester Preparatory School
	3	Anna	French	By My Side	Worcester Preparatory School
Grade 8 Poetry	1	Clara	Elliott	Flowers	The Salisbury School
	2	Elizabeth	Kim	Thoughts	Bennett Middle
	3	Ellie	Wells	Lunar Beauty	Stephen Decatur Middle
Grade 8 SS	1	Elias	Baldrige	The Nightmare from Nature's Nook	Stephen Decatur Middle
	2-tie	Ruby	Windsor	Momma's Hungry Eyes and Her Fiery Spirit	Stephen Decatur Middle
	2-tie	Ruby	Ludwick	Ghost Stories	St. Francis de Sales Catholic
	2-tie	Charlie	Smith	Time Does Not Heal All Wounds	Stephen Decatur Middle
	3-tie	Ryleigh	Cunningham-Hewitt	You can Tell It's Gonna be A Long Road	Pittsville Elementary & Middle (Wicomico County Public Schools)
	3-tie	Sophia	Nguyen	The Girl Lurking in the Tracks	Worcester Preparatory School (Private School)
High (Grades 9-12)					
<u>Grade Category</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Student/Author's First Name</u>	<u>Student/Author's Last Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>School</u>
Grade 9 Poetry	1	Lily	Copeland	Worlds and Pages Between Us	Stephen Decatur High
	2-tie	Ava	Brown	Worn Puppets, Who Am I?,	Stephen Decatur High
	2-tie	Giabella	Abruzzo	Who Am I?	Stephen Decatur High
	3-tie	Nidhish	Gupta	Drop	Stephen Decatur High
	3-tie	Nora	Gorfinkel	Seasons Changing	Worcester Preparatory School
Grade 9 SS	1	Angela	Quan	The Price of Silence	James M. Bennett High
	2	Allison	McIsaac	The Girls Under the Bridge	Mardela Middle & High
	3	Abigail	Tan	A Moment Taken Twice	Parkside High
Grade 10 Poetry	1	Breanna	McCray	Olympus in My Living Room	Stephen Decatur High

	2-tie	Chloe (Casper)	Gilchrist	Red Blanket	The Salisbury School
	2-tie	Raniyah	Hunter	Why Am I Different?	Pocomoke High
	3-tie	Sydney	Parker	The Beginnings of a Ballad	Worcester Preparatory School
	3-tie	Peter	Jin	Social studies class	James M. Bennett High
	3-tie	Sophia	Leimbach	First Love	Holly Grove Christian
Grade 10 SS	1	Seryna	Weaver	The Girl in the Backseat	Snow Hill High
	2	Kalen	Lin	Cargo 200	Pocomoke High
	3-tie	Breanna	McCray	Two	Stephen Decatur High
	3-tie	Stella	Martin	Heart-Shaped, Rose-Tinted Glasses	Home School
Grade 11 Poetry	1	Riley	Richardson	I'm No Philosopher	Snow Hill High
	2	Eleanor	Zollinger	When the Seasons Change	Stephen Decatur High
	3	Bella	Masone	One Day	The Salisbury School
Grade 11 SS	1	Savannah	Wertz	The Way	Snow Hill High
	2	Jake	Timmons	Drive	Worcester Preparatory School
	3	Catherine	Cullen	The Afterglow	Worcester Preparatory School
Grade 12 Poetry	1	Ziann	Franklin	Unsung	Pocomoke High
	2	Naadirah	Hassan-El	The Way My Melanin Shines	Snow Hill High
	3	Emmalyn	Fetters	How to be Enough For You	Stephen Decatur High
Grade 12 SS	1	Daniel	LeCates	A Starving Artist	The Salisbury School
	2	Adam	Baker	Another Sunday Villain	Stephen Decatur High
	3	Ava	Baer	Stars in Our Eyes	Mardela Middle & High