

2024 LAD Fair Writing Contest Winners List

2024 LAD Fair Writing Contest Winners List				
Grades 7-8				
1 Autobiography				
Entries	11	Judge	M. Bowles	
1st	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Dragonfly Summer
2nd	Paelyn Kaufmann	Republic	A. Boykin	Behind the Scene
3rd	Kaisha Callaway	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Chosen
H.M.	Victoria Dejeu	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Close One Story and Open...
Grades 7-8				
2 Book Report				
Entries	9	Judge	B. Ashby	
1st	Bennett Derossett	Phelps	K. Heugel	Book Report on Starfish
2nd	Julia Matson	Phelps	K. Heugel	Book Review of the Inherita...
3rd	Lauren Magers	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	"The Odyssey"
H.M.	Chloe Mays	Greenfield	R. Burton	The Outsiders
Grades 7-8				
3 Comparison/Contrast				
Entries	9	Judge	B. Ashby	
1st	Colin Roach	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Nolan Ryan and Randy Joh...
2nd	Clara Copeland	NCA	K. Gray	The Giver and Hitler's Leb...
3rd	Kyra Keeling	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Diary of Anne Frank
H.M.	Olivia Gilpin	NCA	K. Gray	The Giver and Hitler's Leb...
Grades 7-8				
4 Description of Mood				
Entries	15	Judge	B. Ashby	
1st	Aniston Harris	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Our Leap Off the Diving Board
2nd	Emma Robbin	Reed	A. Fleming	Out of Control
2nd	Lily McNaughton	NCA	K. Gray	Through the Eyes of an Alzh...
3rd	Rylee Ferzely	Republic	A. Boykin	One More Time
3rd	Kassandra Whisler	Stockton	J. Fidler	Breaking Anxiety
H.M.	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Optimistic
H.M.	Allisen Pliier	Republic	J. Bennett	Forget
Grades 7-8				
5A Description of Person				
Entries	10	Judge	M. Donovan	
1st	Denver Phillips	West Plains	A. Closser	Salted Peanuts
2nd	Eric Rodriguez	West Plains	A. Closser	My Star
3rd	Ava Campbell	West Plains	A. Closser	The Woman Who Loved
H.M.	Riley Erickson	West Plains	A. Closser	Midsummer Days
Grades 7-8				
5B Description of Place				
Entries	10	Judge	M. Donovan	
1st	Chloe Drumm	NCA	K. Gray	A Long Adventurous Journey
2nd	Layla Bisher	Logan-Rogersville	L. Marsh	Seven Crows
3rd	Yohann Oghlaleian	Phelps	K. Heugel	The Dutch Venice
H.M.	Porter Anderson	Stockton	J. Adler	The Old House
Grades 7-8				
5C Description of Object or Thing				

Entries	4	Judge	M. Donovan	
1st	Fiona Wilson	NCA	K. Gray	Story-Filled Stick of Wonder
2nd	Sam Carmack	NCA	K. Gray	The American Cuisine
3rd	Anna Poe	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	The Perfected Art of Music
H.M.	Kristen Eddings	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Dogs
Grades 7-8				
6 Letters				
Entries	19	Judge	M. Donovan	
1st	Sydney Kennedy	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	"Dear Edith Finch"
2nd	Violet Black	Summit	J. Alexander	"Dear Elizabeth"
3rd	Hudson Patillo	West Plains	A. Closser	"Dear Mr. Brucker"
H.M.	Makayla Metzger	Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	"Breakup Letter"
Grades 7-8				
7A Essay with Original Photos taken by author				
Entries	6	Judge	J. Fields	
1st	Gianna McNamara	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Sunflowers
2nd	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Runner Ducks
3rd	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	How to Hunt
H.M.	Kyra Keeling	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Horses Affects on my Life
Grades 7-8				
7B Essay with Original Photos NOT taken by author				
Entries	6	Judge	L. Deckard	
1st	Gianna McNamara	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Sound Energy and the Steth...
2nd	Adalia Ligon	Phelps	L. Schick	Eastern Gray Squirrels
3rd	Remali De Los Santos	West Plains	A. Closser	Powerful Entities in New Me...
H.M.	Pantera Broyles	West Plains	A. Closser	The Stanley Hotel
Grades 7-8				
8 Journal/Diary Fictional				
Entries	8	Judge	L. Deckard	
1st	Sarina Zheng	Greenwood	J. Du	A Day in Mr. Goodwin's Life
2nd	Abbi Driscoll	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Worth
3rd	Dylan Laney	SEAS	H. Wilson	Journal of Mefistafeliz
3rd	Colton Peterson	West Plains	A. Closser	Journal Entry, March 24, 1942
H.M.	Kristen Eddings	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Diary of Lavinia Cardew
Grades 7-8				
9 Journal/Diary Personal				
Entries	3	Judge	J. Fields	
1st	Isaac Brucker	West Plains	A. Closser	August 25, 2023
2nd	Jackson Kinkeade	West Plains	J. Alexander	Diagnosed
3rd	Chloe Keene	Republic	J. Bennett	You Don't Deserve Me
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
10 Literary Analysis of Character				
Entries	4	Judge	J. Fields	
1st	Clara Moody	Phelps	K. Heugel	Magnus Chase and the God...
2nd	Isaac Brucker	West Plains	A. Closser	Character Analysis of the H...
3rd	Addyson Bailey	West Plains	A. Closser	The Notebook Character An...

H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
11 Literary Analysis of Conflict				
Entries	7	Judge	E. Pelkey	
1st	Addisyn Williams	West Plains	A. Closser	Conflict in the Orphan Queen
2nd	Violet Hafer	West Plains	A. Closser	Conflict Analysis of Hate List
3rd	Lucy Proctor	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Slaying the Dragons
H.M.	Abbie Hilt	West Plains	A. Closser	Conflict Analysis of Fighting...
Grades 7-8				
12 Literary Analysis of Setting				
Entries	5	Judge	E. Pelkey	
1st	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Live Life to the Fullest
2nd	Carson Phay	West Plains	A. Closser	A Setting Analysis for the Sc...
3rd	Presley Moore	West Plains	A. Closser	Setting Analysis on the Can...
H.M.	Weston Butts	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Remnants of Freak the Mighty
Grades 7-8				
13 Literary Analysis of Symbol				
Entries	6	Judge	E. Pelkey	
1st	Sadie Rutkowski	Springfield Lutheran	S. Bartok	The Importance of a Toad
2nd	Jackson Fuehne	Springfield Lutheran	S. Bartok	The Floccinaucinipilification...
3rd	Veyda Green	Dadeville	L. Ochner	A Well-Deserved Justice
H.M.	Emma Bergman	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Symbols of a Friendship
Grades 7-8				
14 Literary Analysis of Techniques				
Entries	4	Judge	K. Demister	
1st	Riley Erickson	West Plains	A. Closser	Technique Analysis on Daug...
2nd	Hudson Arnold	Dadeville	L. Ochner	The Sword and the Stone
3rd	Hattie Stanek	Dadeville	C. Dowell	How Are We Possible?
H.M.	Joe Graft	Dadeville	C. Dowell	The Mighty Freaks
Grades 7-8				
15 Literary Analysis of Theme				
Entries	11	Judge	K. Demster	
1st	Sariah Terry	West Plains	A. Closser	A Theme Analysis of Verify
2nd	Drew Skeeters	West Plains	A. Closser	Thematic Analysis of The B...
3rd	Darci Orbin	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Diary of Anne Frank Play
H.M.	Addisyn Williams	West Plains	A. Closser	Thematic Analysis of the Raft
Grades 7-8				
16 Media Review				
Entries	15	Judge	L. Deckard	
1st	Andrew Davidson	Phelps	L. Schick	Red Dead Redemption Two Review
2nd	Dane Scholz	Phelps	K. Heugel	The Gods of Elden Ring and How It Represents Religion
3rd	Polina Patsioukov	Summit	J. Alexander	The Pixies
H.M.	Jazmine Russell	Phelps	L. Schick	The Veldt Story
Grades 7-8				
17 Original Lit. Related Newspaper - Individual				

Entries	3	Judge	L. Deckard	
1st	Van Cochran	West Plains	A. Closser	Shazam Newsflash
2nd	Sophia Crownover	West Plains	A. Closser	Wings Daily Quill
3rd	Anabelle Howell	West Plains	A. Closser	The Immortal News
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
18 Original Lit. Related Newspaper - Small Group				
Entries	1	Judge	A. Hamilton	
1st	Caleb Harshman and Lillian Brandsma	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	The Wizarding Times
2nd				
3rd				
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
19 Documented Essay				
Entries	37	Judge	K. Demister	
1st	Megan Cragle	Republic	A. Harting	The Perfect Aryan Race
2nd	Whit Gelner	Summit	J. Alexander	School Uniforms Should be...
3rd	Finley Pollard	Summit	J. Alexander	The Four Ancient River Civi...
H.M.	Aubree Dover	Republic	A. Harting	Inhumanity in the Concentra...
H.M.	Alyssa Newman	Summit	J. Alexander	River Civilizations
H.M.	Kynnadi Snider	Republic	A. Boykin	Political Propoganda
Grades 7-8				
20A Narration				
Entries	32	Judge	S. Keeth	
1st	Eli Jamena	Phelps	L. Schick	The Druid
2nd	Veyda Green	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Midnight Sky
2nd	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Strike-Out
3rd	Taylor Conner	Republic	J. Bennett	Wanted for Ruin
3rd	Taylor Conner	Republic	J. Bennett	The Happy Silence
H.M.	Hudson Arnold	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Lost Spirit
Grades 7-8				
20B Personal Experience Narrative				
Entries	17	Judge	S. Keeth	
1st	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Dragonfly Summer
2nd	Hollie McGill	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Family Feud
3rd	Rebekah Leesman	Stockton	J. Fidler	Impossible
H.M.	Allison Worthy	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Growing Up
Grades 7-8				
21a Original Illustrated Book				
Entries	5	Judge	M. Gargus	
1st	Anyka Prock	Phelps	L. Schick	Echoes In My Head
2nd	Sophia Combs	West Plains	A. Closser	Manny's Banana Thief
3rd	Riley Erickson	West Plains	A. Closser	King Midas and the Touch of...
H.M.	Audi Moore	West Plains	A. Closser	Hades and Persephone
Grades 7-8				

21b Original graphic story/comic book				
Entries	6	Judge	S. Moore	
1st	Elijah Samuel Lee Leutzinger	Republic	M. Gilliland	Verraton: The City of Stars
2nd	Zoey Jahas	Republic	J. Bennett	Up to the Stars
3rd	Gabe Castillo	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Vampire
H.M.	Aaron Kharitonov	West Plains	A. Closser	Super Spongebob
Grades 7-8				
22 Original Book without Illustrations				
Entries	5	Judge	S. Moore	
1st	Samantha Tong	Summit	E. Smith	Genie with a Catch
2nd	Olive Eck	Phelps	L. Schick	Close as Sisters
3rd	Evan Crim	Republic	A. Marcum	Masuku
H.M.	William O'Neal	Phelps	L. Schick	The Sickness
Grades 7-8				
23 Creative Nonfiction				
Entries	3	Judge	S. Moore	
1st	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Timestops, Life Changes
2nd	Sophia Bell	SEAS	H. Wilson	Rocks
3rd	Jasmine Brooks	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Split Up
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
24 Personal Opinion				
Entries	20	Judge	S. Parrish	
1st	Mallory Skidmore	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Need for Public Speaki...
2nd	Lena Strobel	Springfield Lutheran	S. Bartok	How Does America Inspire Y...
3rd	Wylliam Douglas	Marion C. Early	T. Dunn	Kindness
H.M.	Polina Patsioukov	Summit	J. Alexander	Polar Ice vs Spearmint Gum
Grades 7-8				
25 Persuasion				
Entries	20	Judge	P. Hudson	
1st	Kiyia Parkison	Logan-Rogersville	L. Marsh	Death Penalty
2nd	Sarina Zheng	Greenwood	J. Du	ChatGPT in Positive Ways
3rd	Lily McNaughton	NCA	K. Gray	Declaratory No First Use
H.M.	Silas VanDeWege	NCA	K. Gray	Green Energy
Grades 7-8				
26 Short Story				
Entries	57	Judge	R. Heironimus	
1st	Aniston Harris	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Ballad of an Apocalypse & Romance
2nd	Liddy Moore	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Little Notes
3rd	Polina Patsioukov	Summit	E. Gauldin	Fighting for Freedom
3rd	Khloe-Ann Hager	Republic	A. Harting	The Forbidden Symphony
3rd	Samantha Hodge	Phelps	M. Wisniewski	The Bridge
H.M.	Ash Downer	Summit	J. Alexander	Lyra
H.M.	Violet Kaiser	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Attic
H.M.	Kaily Woods	Republic	M. Gilliland	Sectors
Grades 7-8				
27 Satire				
Entries	12	Judge	S. Parrish	

1st	Abbot Schmidt	Phelps	K. Heugel	Right to Repair
2nd	Rachel Gantuyuk	Republic	D. Norman	Kids These Days + Their Ph...
3rd	Lucy Proctor	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Garbage Police
H.M.	Hudson Arnold	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Superbowlers to Supersuckers
Grades 7-8				
28 Prose Parody				
Entries	2	Judge	W. Gillenwaters	
1st	Sophia Courter	Logan-Rogersville	A. McDonald	Little Syd Writing Hood
2nd	Claira Womack	Logan-Rogersville	A. McDonald	Fluffy Gray Howling Hood
3rd	Isaac Acker	Skyline	K. Redies	Egged
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
29 Original Poetry Anthology -- Individual				
Entries	15	Judge	W. Gillenwaters	
1st	Jude Miller	Phelps	L. Schick	A Delicious Anthology
2nd	Gracie Price	Republic	A. Harting	A Collection of Poems
3rd	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Macy's Poetry Anthology
H.M.	Rebekah Leesman	Stockton	J. Fidler	Healing from the Word
Grades 7-8				
30 Original Poetry Anthology -- Small Group				
Entries	5	Judge	I. Bohnenkamp	
1st	Greenfield Small Group	Greenfield	R. Burton	Life Through Our Eyes
2nd	Greenfield Small Group	Greenfield	R. Burton	Nature Rules
3rd	Carter Smith	West Plains	A. Closser	Poetry in Season
H.M.	Violet Hafer	West Plains	A. Closser	The Poets of Tomorrow
Grades 7-8				
31 Original Poetry Anthology--Class				
Entries	9	Judge	I. Bohnenkamp	
1st	Greenfield Class	Greenfield	R. Burton	Books We Read
2nd	Greenfield Class	Greenfield	R. Burton	Teen Life
3rd	Alicia Gassel's Class	IC	A. Gassel	Poetry Anthology 8-II
H.M.	Alicia Gassel's Class	IC	A. Gassel	Anthology Bio-Poems 7-I
Grades 7-8				
32 Original Illustrated Book by Group				
Entries	12	Judge	K. Powell	
1st	Hamilton/Craig/Bruton/Schultz	IC	A. Gassel	The Hobbit: A Modern Version
2nd	Collins/McNeil/Knox/McDonoug	Republic	H. Lander	The Grasp of Shadows
3rd	Braun/Long/Cardin	IC	A. Gassel	A Modernized Verson of Little Women
H.M.	Bell/Hauser/Wand	SEAS	H. Wilson	The Massacre of Banera Pread
Grades 7-8				
33 Original Prose Anthology by individual				
Entries	3	Judge	K. Powell	
1st	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Macy's Prose Anthology
2nd	Veyda Green	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Veyda's Thoughts on Paper
3rd	Issac Brucker	West Plains	A. Closser	A Mixture of Greatness
H.M.				

Grades 7-8				
34 Original Prose Anthology -- small group				
Entries	5	Judge	R. Heironimus	
1st	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	School Improvement
2nd	Ava Campbell	West Plains	A. Closser	Whispering Words of Wisdom
3rd	Dadeville Small Group	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Social Injustices of the World
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
35 Original Prose Anthology by a Class				
Entries	5	Judge	R. Heironimus	
1st	Bandaru et. al	Phelps	K. Heugel	Creative Adaption: Rome
2nd	Dadeville Class	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Anthology of Our Class
3rd	Drew Skeeters	West Plains	A. Closser	The Things We Know
H.M.	IC Class	IC	A. Gassel	6 Word Memoirs
36 Category eliminated				
Entries		Judge		
Grades 7-8				
37 Original Anthology of Prose and Poetry -- Individual				
Entries	5	Judge	T. Mahoney	
1st	Remali De Los Santos	West Plains	A. Closser	Compilation of Literature and Poems
2nd	Addisyn Williams	West Plains	A. Closser	Album of Writings and Poetry
3rd	Veyda Green	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Veyda's Prose & Poetry Anthology
H.M.	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Along Life's Journey
Grades 7-8				
38 Original Anthology of Prose and Poetry -- Small Group				
Entries	5	Judge	T. Mahoney	
1st	Addyson Bailey	West Plains	A. Closser	Random Words of Inspiration
2nd	Presley Moore	West Plains	A. Closser	A Vision of Poetry and Prose
3rd	Savannah Coring et al.	Summit	J. Alexander	Nature's Wonders
H.M.	Newman and Cunningham	Summit	J. Alexander	Unpredictable
H.M.	Carson Phay	West Plains	A. Closser	Late Registration
H.M.	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	A Salute to Our Veterans
Grades 7-8				
39 Original Anthology of Prose and Poetry -- Class				
Entries	1	Judge	A. Hamilton	
1st	Memphis Wade	West Plains	A. Closser	Our Beautiful, Dark, Twisted Fantasy
2nd				
3rd				
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
40 Ballad				
Entries	21	Judge	L. Rankin	
1st	Ridhima Suthar	Phelps	L. Schick	The Painter and the Poet

2nd	Ash Downer		Summit	J. Alexander	Aging Too Fast
3rd	Finley Pollard		Summit	J. Alexander	The Knight
H.M.	Olive Eck		Phelps	L. Schick	The Ballad of Love and Ducks
Grades 7-8					
41 Biopoem/Geopoem					
Entries	29		Judge	W. Gillenwaters	
1st	C. J. Nolan		Greenfield	R. Burton	Despite Everything, It's Still Me
2nd	Chloe Mays		Greenfield	R. Burton	The Kindest Princess
2nd	Morgan Groves		West Plains	A. Closser	The Life of Morgan Groves
3rd	Violet Hafer		West Plains	A. Closser	Violet
3rd	Allie Fox		West Plains	A. Closser	Allie
H.M.	Sunny Lemasters		West Plains	A. Closser	It's Me
Grades 7-8					
42 Cinquain					
Entries	30		Judge	W. Gillenwaters	
1st	Aven Buerge		Logan-Rogersville	B. Lee	Spring
2nd	Sawyer Owens		Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	Gone
2nd	Lynzi Carter		Greenfield	R. Burton	Speechless
3rd	Jacob Searson		NCA	K. Gray	A Thoughtless Word
3rd	Brianna Scott		SEAS	H. Wilson	Sun
H.M.	Kyra Keeling		Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	No One
Grades 7-8					
43 Diamante					
Entries	32		Judge	G. Wyckoff	
1st	Todd Gao		Phelps	K. Heugel	The Right Path
2nd	Laura Yoakum		NCA	K. Gray	Justice's Lament
2nd	Savanna Johnson		Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	Joy and Sorrow
3rd	Isaac Brucker		West Plains	A. Closser	Liberation
3rd	Sarina Zheng		Greenwood	J. Du	War
3rd	Chloe Mays		Greenfield	R. Burton	Appetite
H.M.	Ella Bargo		Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	Fire and Water
Grades 7-8					
44 Haiku					
Entries	35		Judge	L. Rankin	
1st	Gracie Foley		SEAS	H. Wilson	Aurora Borealis
2nd	A. Pliier		Republic	J. Bennett	The Burning Man
3rd	Charlee Smith		NCA	K. Gray	The Black Cat
H.M.	Makynlee Watts		West Plains	A. Closser	The Glistening Pool
H.M.	Noah Menadue		Greenfield	R. Burton	The Thief's Ride
H.M.	Ashton Gatewood		West Plains	A. Closser	Blue Caves
Grades 7-8					
45 Tanka					
Entries	33		Judge	L. Rankin	
1st	Denver Phillips		West Plains	A. Closser	Saturn & Jupiter
2nd	Cameron Miller		West Plains	A. Closser	Nature's Beauty
2nd	Riley Erickson		West Plains	A. Closser	A Fog's Waltz
3rd	Hope Tapelt		NCA	K. Gray	Thunderstorms
H.M.	Severin Lwali		Phelps	L. Schick	The Lone Pine's Grief
H.M.	Taivry Davis		Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	The Lioness That Eats Me

Grades 7-8				
46 Parody				
Entries	18	Judge	I. Johns	
1st	Carson Mathes	Republic	A. Boykin	Thus Angry Birds and Pigs
2nd	Sydney Kennedy	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	A Parody of Hope is the Thi...
3rd	Braelyn Boucher	West Plains	A. Closser	The Chromebook Need
H.M.	Hudson Patillo	West Plains	A. Closser	Last Football Game
H.M.	Benjamin Koenig	Springfield Lutheran	S. Bartok	You're Welcome
Grades 7-8				
47 Acrostic				
Entries	40	Judge	I. Johns	
1st	Greta Schulte	NCA	K. Gray	Envy Truly is the Thief of Joy
2nd	Severin Lwali II	Phelps	L. Schick	Portlandia Oregon
3rd	Sophia Bell	SEAS	H. Wilson	A Waste of Talent
H.M.	Lily McNaughton	NCA	K. Gray	Death's Dance
H.M.	Faith Ling	SEAS	H. Wilson	Love For You
H.M.	Abigail Hena Kim	Phelps	K. Heugel	Ticking By
H.M.	Charlee Smith	NCA	K. Gray	Painting the Sky
H.M.	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Statue of Liberty
Grades 7-8				
48 Other Formula				
Entries	10	Judge	T. Mahoney	
1st	Timothy Jordan	Greenfield Jr.	R. Burton	The "Great" Scythe
2nd	Allie Fox	West Plains	A. Closser	I Don't Understand
3rd	Hattie Stanek	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Rivers
H.M.	Carter Smith	West Plains	A. Closser	What If
Grades 7-8				
49 Long Free Verse -- 11 lines or more				
Entries	36	Judge	J. Sellars	
1st	Emma Munoz	Phelps	L. Schick	Walk Away
2nd	Jeannah Barte	Pleasant Hope	S. Lair	Memories
3rd	Jackson Kinkeade	Summit	J. Alexander	Tears
H,M,	Lydia Kelly	NCA	K. Gray	My Personal Thoughts
Grades 7-8				
50 Short Free Verse -- 10 lines or fewer				
Entries	34	Judge	J. Sellars	
1st	Bodie Rutledge	West Plains	A. Closser	The Labor of Building
2nd	Denver Phillips	West Plains	A. Closser	S'Mores
2nd	Chloe Drumm	NCA	K. Gray	A Lack of Peace
3rd	Noah Menadue	Greenfield	R. Burton	Hurricane
3rd	Parker Noland	Greenfield	R. Burton	The Printer
H.M.	Paxton Naylor	NCA	K. Gray	A Poem Can Be Anything
H.M.	Leah Squibb	Phelps	L. Schick	Shooting Star
H.M.	Riley Erickson	West Plains	A. Closser	Nature's Snow
Grades 7-8				
51 Limerick				
Entries	25	Judge	C. Russell-Ice	

1st	Finley Pollard	Summit	E. Souza	The Lake
2nd	Chloe Mays	Greenfield	R. Burton	Under the Tent
3rd	Darci Ordin	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Moments So Sweet
H.M.	Isaiah Watters	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Ways of Simple Life
H.M.	Kendall Sanders	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Dr. Walker and the Big Mouth
Grades 7-8				
52 Long Narrative Poetry -- 11 lines or more				
Entries	15	Judge	Melissa Bowles	
1st	Marleigh Grell	Republic	A. Marcum	Pages of my Childhood
2nd	Lucy Proctor	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Anyone?
3rd	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Marble Eyes
H.M.	Kya Stiles	Gloria Deo	D. Nelson	A Golden Evening
Grades 7-8				
53 Short Narrative Poetry -- 10 lines or less				
Entries	12	Judge	C. Russell-Ice	
1st	Sarina Zheng	Greenwood	J. Du	Milky Way
2nd	Madelyn Dillard	Summit	E. Smith	Red and Yellow Ribbons
3rd	Sadie Rutkowski	Springfield Lutheran	S. Bartok	Cranberry Sprite
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
54 Original Poster Poem				
Entries	17	Judge	P. Hudson	
1st	Riley Erickson	West Plains	A. Closser	Nature's Sorrow
2nd	Ava Campbell	West Plains	A. Closser	A Tree's Love
3rd	Alexis Medina	West Plains	L. Staton	I Don't Understand
H.M.	Greta Schulte	NCA	K. Gray	There's No Rainbows Without
Grades 7-8				
55 Long Rhymed Poetry				
Entries	25	Judge	I. Johns	
1st	Chloe Mays	Greenfield	R. Burton	Poetry
2nd	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Marble Eyes
3rd	Ethan Kelly	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Shattered Dreams
H.M.	Jamie Tran	SEAS	H. Wilson	A Winding Feeling
H.M.	Emmy Straus	SEAS	H. Wilson	If These Walls Could
Grades 7-8				
56 Short Rhymed Poetry				
Entries	23	Judge	P. Hudson	
1st	Sariah Terry	West Plains	A. Closser	Sunset Paint the Skies
2nd	Emma Munoz	Phelps	L. Schick	Her
3rd	Fiona Wilson	NCA	K. Gray	The Back of the Classroom
H.M.	Emma Dull	Summit	J. Alexander	Koalas
Grades 7-8				
57 Sonnet				
Entries	14	Judge	G. Wyckoff	
1st	Hailey Carrigan	NCA	K. Gray	Autumn
2nd	Cole Stephenson	Phelps	K. Heugel	An Eerie Camping Trip
3rd	Steffani Acosta	NCA	K. Gray	Hanging Gold

H.M.	Samantha Tong	Summit	E. Smith	Unraveling Stories
Grades 7-8				
58 Villanelle				
Entries	4	Judge	G. Wyckoff	
1st	Brianna Cheuk	Phelps	L. Schick	I Want You for the US Army
2nd	Natalie Myers	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Plants of Life
3rd	Sydney Kennedy	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Agony of Arson
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
59 Individual Task Analysis				
Entries	8	Judge	P. Hudson	
1st	Katelyn Holman	Dadeville	L. Ochner	How to Survive Middle School
2nd	John Divito	SEAS	H. Wilson	Steps to Doing Laundry
3rd	Zoe Rains	Stockton	J. Fidler	How to Brush Your Teeth
H.M.	Jackson Geruel	SEAS	H. Wilson	Sending an Email
Grades 7-8				
60A Editorial				
Entries	9	Judge	M. Gargus	
1st	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Killing Kin and Killing Conne...
2nd	Easton Thompson	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Thank you, Dr. King
2nd	Sydney Kennedy	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	Drones Mean Danger
3rd	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Blood, Sweat, and Fear
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
60B Commentary/opinion column				
Entries	11	Judge	D. Norman	
1st	David Snow	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	It's Snow! It's a Rabbit! No, it's a Plastic Bag
2nd	Kendall Sanders	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Parents or Teachers, You Choose
3rd	David Snow	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Should You Text to Date?
H.M.	Laramie Smith	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The True Meaning of Christmas
Grades 7-8				
61 Feature Story				
Entries	9	Judge	D. Norman	
1st	Katherine Kauffman	SEAS	H. Wilson	The Stars and Stripes Forever
2nd	Hudson Patillo	West Plains	A. Closser	The Joplin Tornado
3rd	Parker Moody	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Middle School Love
H.M.	Evangeline Black	Dadeville	Lori Ochner	A Plaqueway to Victory
Grades 7-8				
62 News Story				
Entries	8	Judge	D. Norman	
1st	Haylee Collins	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Wonders of Wilder Days
2nd	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	The Slaughterhouse Children
3rd	Kendall Sanders	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Gotta Be Drug Free, Red R...
H.M.	Hailey Boyd	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Mansfield Know How to Brin...
H.M.	Laramie Smith	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	Angels in STUCO
Grades 7-8				

63 Sports Story				
Entries	11	Judge	H. Flaugher	
1st	Polina Patsioukov	Summit	J. Alexander	Alex's World Cup Dream
2nd	Charles Goodnight	Republic	D. Norman	A Success Story
3rd	Joe Graf	Dadeville	L.Ochner	Big Rule Changes in MLB
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
64A School Newspaper				
Entries	9	Judge	E. Gambriel	
1st	Lion's Life Staff	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The Lion's Life (Dec. 2023)
2nd	Group	West Plains	K. Vance	The Lightning Strikes News
3rd	Lion's Life Staff	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The Lion's Life (Nov. 2023)
H.M.	Multiple	Reed	J. Chandler	The Dam News
Grades 7-8				
64B School Magazine				
Entries	3	Judge	B. Ashby	
1st	Lion's Life Staff	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The Lion's Life (Oct. 2023)
2nd	Lion's Life Staff	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The Lion's Life (Sept. 2023)
3rd	Lion's Life Staff	Mansfield	J. Walker-Davidson	The Lion's Life (Feb. 2024)
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
65 Spoken word poetry script				
Entries	8	Judge	L. Summers	
1st	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Marble Eyes
2nd	Hollie McGill	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Will We Ever Be Free
3rd	Heavenlie Ipox	West Plains	A. Closser	The Chance
H.M.	Charleigh Toler	Dadeville	C. Dowell	My Head
Grades 7-8				
66 Commercial Script				
Entries	5	Judge	L. Summers	
1st	Colton Peterson	West Plains	A. Closser	Alarm Master
2nd	Sophia Combs	West Plains	A. Closser	Talking Mirror
3rd	Hudson Patillo	West Plains	A. Closser	Bed Maker
H.M.	Lillian Puda	Summit	J. Alexander	Bright and New
H.M.	Lucas Reed	Summit	J. Alexander	Spikepaddle Kit for Spikeball
Grades 7-8				
67 Dialogue (Skit)				
Entries	9	Judge	L. Summers	
1st	Hudson Patillo	West Plains	A. Closser	The Quadruple Kill
2nd	Taivry Davis	Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	The Mystery Package
3rd	Weston Butts	Dadeville	L. Ochner	A Fishy Love Story
H.M.	Lucy Proctor	Dadeville	C. Dowell	The Lost Helper with a Bright
Grades 7-8				
68 Play Script				
Entries	9	Judge	B. Ashby	
1st	Lanie Deng	Phelps	K. Heugel	The Great British Bake-Off...
2nd	Mrs. Lea's Class	Logan-Rogersville	B. Lea	"The Next Chapter"

3rd	Hattie Stanek	Dadeville	L. Ochner	What About Grandma
H.M.	Macy Kelly	Dadeville	L. Ochner	Ruff Life
Grades 7-8				
69 Screenplay				
Entries	2	Judge	L. Summers	
1st	Lawrence Massey	Republic	M. Gilliland	Mafia Madness S1E1
2nd	Ariella Freeman	Stockton	J. Fidler	Making Marmalade
3rd				
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
70 Individual or Group Community Response				
Entries	3	Judge	L. Summers	
1st	Campbell Brown	Ozark Junior High	D. Nelson	Why Private Schoolers Sho...
2nd	Isaac Brucker	West Plains	A. Closser	Dear Sheriff Campbell
3rd	Seth Buillinger	Greenfield	R. Burton	Dear Chief Paul Williams
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
71 Individual or group Writing Rocks				
Entries	5	Judge	K. Townsend	
1st	Chloe Mays	Greenfield	R. Burton	The Delight in Writing
2nd	Brie Haik	Summit	J. Alexander	The Power of Poems and th...
3rd	Allision Plier	Republic	J. Bennett	Writing
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
72 Individual Writing of Appreciation of a Living Person				
Entries	9	Judge	K. Townsend	
1st	Violet Hafer	West Plains	A. Closser	Who is Deb Hafer
2nd	Abbi Hilt	West Plains	A. Closser	My Built-In Bestfried, Kaylee
3rd	Kallie Julian	West Plains	A. Closser	Forever and Always
H.M.	Addisyn Williams	West Plains	A. Closser	Crinkle Cookie Cravings
Grades 7-8				
73 Individual Visual Poetry				
Entries	26	Judge	W. Biesemeyer	
1st	Alivia Martin	IC	A. Gassel	What Happened That Day
2nd	Owen Beisner	Phelps	L. Schick	Roller Coaster Concrete
2nd	Drew Miller	Greenfield Jr	R. Burton	Aches and Pains
3rd	Riley Hein	IC	A. Gassel	One More Loss
3rd	Abi Maxwell	Greenfield Jr	R. Burton	Shh
H.M.	Allison Worthy	Dadeville	C. Dowell	Falling Apart
H.M.	Indira Green	Springfield Luthern	S. Bartok	Little Balloon
Grades 7-8				
74 Individual graphic adaptation of Published Literature				
Entries	1	Judge	R. Berger	
1st	Grant Pickett	Phelps	K. Heugel	Cheshire Cat
2nd				
3rd				
H.M.				

75 Individual original writing with original art				
Entries	8	Judge	M. Rose	
1st	Ariana Alvarez	Republic	A. Marcum	Truth of Me
2nd	Anias Pedigo	Greenfield	R. Burton	Johnny Cash
2nd	Drew Miller	Greenfield	R. Burton	Bob Marley
3rd	Seth Bullinger	Greenfield	R. Burton	Ulysses S. Grant
H.M.				
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
76 Individual Collage				
Entries	2	Judge	R. Berger	
1st	Chrislyn Dixon	Lamar	T. Shelton	Rich
2nd				
3rd				
H.M.				
H.M.				
Grades 7-8				
77 Individual Drawing				
Entries	20	Judge	R. Berger	
1st	Dhruti Bandaru	Central Scholars	K. Heugel	Passing By
2nd	Hayden Long	IC	A. Gassel	Little Women to Each Their Own
3rd	Annaliese Olivia Craig	IC	A. Gassel	The Purple Heart
H.M.	Alina Kakuta	Republic	M. Gelland	Russian Shot Stuves
Grades 7-8				
78 Individual Painting				
Entries	2	Judge	M. Rose	
1st	Sydney Kennedy	Pleasant Hope	P. Peterman	The Shadow Children
2nd				
3rd				
H.M.				