



Association for Conflict Resolution

2010 Poetry Contest Rules (on-line submissions)

- 1. Eligibility.** The contest is open to all students in grades 3 – 12.
- 2. Submission Period.** Entries will be accepted between September 1, 2010 and November 1, 2010, until 11:59 PM Eastern (10:59 PM Central; 9:59 PM Mountain; 8:59 PM Pacific; 5:59 PM Hawaii).
- 3. To Enter.** Write a poem that describes “Peace in My Community.” Please write a title for your poem. Limit your poem to 20 lines. Poems must be in English. Limit: 1 poem per student. Please do not put your name or school on the poem (for fairness in judging).

ALL POEMS SUBMITTED MUST BE THE STUDENT’S OWN, ORIGINAL WORK, AND NOT PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED.

4. Prizes. Prizes will be awarded in three categories: Grades 3-5; 6-8; and 9-12. First Place: \$100. Second Place: \$75. (prizes are in U.S. dollars)

5. Announcement of Winners. Winners will be contacted by December 15, 2010.

6. Sponsor. The Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR) is a professional organization dedicated to enhancing the practice and public understanding of conflict resolution. This contest is being sponsored as an activity for ACR’s Conflict Resolution Day. For information about ACR and Conflict Resolution Day, go to www.acrnet.org/crday

7. General Conditions.

- Poems will not be returned. Entrants should keep a copy of their submissions.
- Association for Conflict Resolution assumes no responsibility for entries that are lost, incomplete, misdirected, illegible, or late, or for failed computer transmissions or technical failures.
- Association for Conflict Resolution reserves the right, in its discretion, to reject entries that it believes are unlawful, libelous, or would be detrimental to the reputation of Conflict Resolution Day or the Association for Conflict Resolution.
- Poems with profanity, obscenity, vulgarity, or anything else which overrides the general norms of civility will not be eligible for prizes.
- Entry must comply with all contest rules to be eligible for a prize. The Association for Conflict Resolution reserves the right not to award any prizes.
- Selected entries (including those that were not awarded prizes) may be displayed at the ACR National Conference and may be compiled in a poetry book or other form (including electronically) as may be determined by the Association for Conflict Resolution.
- Winners will be selected by a panel of judges named by the Association for Conflict Resolution. The judges will evaluate the entries using the following criteria: exploration of theme, impact on reader, originality, literacy, and message. Judges’ decisions are final.

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