



2023 Creative Writing Winners

Elementary and Junior High Short Story and Poetry

NATIONAL WINNERS				
PLACE	ELEMENTARY		JUNIOR HIGH	
	SHORT STORY	POETRY	SHORT STORY	POETRY
1st	Eunice Heou – 6 Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy Fairfax Station, VA	Ian Bodwell – 6 Cathedral Baptist School Rockford, IL	Annika Daley – 8 Heritage Christian School Woodbridge, VA	Gwendolyn Sheppard – 8 Heritage Christian School Woodbridge, VA
2nd	Jaleigh Kinard – 6 Bob Jones Academy Greenville, SC	Caleb Shivers – 6 Gloucester Co. Christian School Sewell, NJ	Miriam Magdut – 8 Logos Christian Academy Niles, IL	Abby Kipper – 7 Front Range Baptist Academy Fort Collins, CO
3rd	Reagan Sichting – 6 Tabernacle Christian School Martinsville, IN	Clarissa Fluegge – 6 Temple Baptist School Herndon, VA	Piper Wetsell – 7 Jacksonville Christian Academy Jacksonville, AR	Addy Alexander – 7 Bob Jones Academy Greenville, SC

STATE WINNERS				
STATE	ELEMENTARY		JUNIOR HIGH	
	SHORT STORY	POETRY	SHORT STORY	POETRY
ALABAMA	Lily Kate Powell – 6 Cullman Christian School Cullman, AL	Kiersten McComb – 6 Trinity Christian Academy Oxford, AL	Emma Romano – 7 SMIC Academy Birmingham, AL	Will Hoy – 8 Victory Christian Academy Millbrook, AL
ARKANSAS	Willow Pointer – 6 Jacksonville Christian Academy Jacksonville, AR	Chandler Pointer – 5 Jacksonville Christian Academy Jacksonville, AR	Piper Wetsell – 7 Jacksonville Christian Academy Jacksonville, AR	Timothy Robinson – 7 Trinity Christian School Bradford, AR
CALIFORNIA	Emma Stevens – 6 Calvary Baptist Christian Academy American Canyon, CA	Samariah Leyva – 5 International Bible Baptist Acad. San Leandro, CA	Darren Ilan – 8 International Bible Baptist Acad. San Leandro, CA	Shelby Watson – 7 Ironwood Christian Academy Newberry Springs, CA
COLORADO	Parker Pfeigler – 5 Front Range Baptist Academy Fort Collins, CO	Rowan Jeffords – 4 Front Range Baptist Academy Fort Collins, CO	Kaden Pierce – 8 Front Range Baptist Academy Fort Collins, CO	Abby Kipper – 7 Front Range Baptist Academy Fort Collins, CO
FLORIDA	Sophie Smith – 5 Victory Christian Academy Jacksonville, FL	Chrislyn Stehl – 5 Providence Christian School Riverview, FL	Jayda Allen – 8 Victory Christian Academy Jacksonville, FL	Amber Kennedy – 7 Land O' Lakes Christian School Land O' Lakes, FL
GEORGIA	Kylee Norman – 6 Victory Baptist School Loganville, GA	NONE	NONE	NONE
ILLINOIS	Amie Tokarchuk – 6 Cathedral Baptist School Rockford, IL	Ian Bodwell – 6 Cathedral Baptist School Rockford, IL	Miriam Magdut – 8 Logos Christian Academy Niles, IL	Sarah Tenus – 7 Logos Christian Academy Niles, IL
INDIANA	Reagan Sichting – 6 Tabernacle Christian School Martinsville, IN	Kaitlyn Baldwin – 4 Colonial Christian School Indianapolis, IN	Cooper Hapner – 8 Indiana Christian Academy Anderson, IN	Emma Brooks – 8 Indiana Christian Academy Anderson, IN
MARYLAND	Eva Vidal – 5 Calvary Baptist Church Academy Glen Burnie, MD	Rebekah Miller – 6 Calvary Baptist Church Academy Glen Burnie, MD	Abigail Ramirez – 8 Frederick Christian Academy Frederick, MD	Leyla Burkhanova – 8 Harford Christian School Darlington, MD

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MISSOURI	NONE	Slava Axenov – 6 Maranatha Baptist Academy St. Robert, MO	NONE	NONE
NEW JERSEY	Rylee Verzella – 6 Solid Rock Christian School Berlin, NJ	Caleb Shivers – 6 Gloucester Co. Christian School Sewell, NJ	Jackson Perez – 8 The Pilgrim Academy Egg Harbor, NJ	Morgan Daniels – 8 The Pilgrim Academy Egg Harbor, NJ
NORTH CAROLINA	Eden Ray – 6 Wilmington Christian Academy Wilmington, NC	Riley Jarrett – 4 Faith Christian School Ramseur, NC	Brady Baldwin – 7 Gospel Light Christian School Walkertown, NC	Abbie Stell – 7 Gospel Light Christian School Walkertown, NC
OHIO	Emma Gingerich – 4 Carroll County Christian Academy Carrollton, OH	Sunny Lorenzen – 6 Ottawa Co. Christian Academy Oak Harbor, OH	Lillian Howard – 7 Temple Christian Academy Howard, OH	Ruby Henderson – 8 Ottawa Co. Christian Academy Oak Harbor, OH
OREGON/ WASHINGTON	Elina Romarniuc – 6 Cascade Vista Baptist School Kent, WA	Daniel Petrovskiy – 6 Bethel Baptist Christian School Spanaway, WA	Cadence Haynes – 7 Cascade Vista Baptist School Kent, WA	Alena Burlakov – 8 Cascade Vista Baptist School Kent, WA
SOUTH CAROLINA	Jaleigh Kinard – 6 Bob Jones Academy Greenville, SC	McKenna Cary – 6 Bob Jones Academy Greenville, SC	Grace Johnson – 7 Calvary Christian School Greer, SC	Addy Alexander – 7 Bob Jones Academy Greenville, SC
TEXAS	Josie Palmer – 6 Joshua Christian Academy Joshua, TX	Myles Johnson – 4 Capitol City Baptist School Austin, TX	Esther Golding – 7 Westside Baptist Academy Katy, TX	Alexis Molitor – 7 Temple Christian Academy Flower Mound, TX
VIRGINIA	Eunice Heou – 6 Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy Fairfax Station, VA	Clarissa Fluegge – 6 Temple Baptist School Herndon, VA	Annika Daley – 8 Heritage Christian School Woodbridge, VA	Gwendolyn Sheppard – 8 Heritage Christian School Woodbridge, VA
WEST VIRGINIA	Addison Reutzel – 6 Wood County Christian School Williamstown, WV	Bryce Handley – 5 Wood County Christian School Williamstown, WV	Maggie Mays – 7 Mercer Christian Academy Princeton, WV	Avery Rusk – 7 Wood County Christian School Williamstown, WV
WISCONSIN	Cash Bestul – 6 Waupaca Christian Academy Waupaca, WI	Derek Henning – 6 Mukwonago Baptist Academy Mukwonago, WI	Bethany Huffstutler – 8 Calvary Baptist Christian School Watertown, WI	Adeyle Schneider – 8 Liberty Christian School Chippewa Falls, WI
WYOMING	Zarah Jones – 4 Green River Christian Academy Green River, WY	NONE	Sadie Chappell – 7 Green River Christian Academy Green River, WY	NONE

States not listed did not submit entries.