



Illinois Teachers of English to Speakers  
of Other Languages - Bilingual Education

***Welcome to***  
***ITBE's 14th Annual***  
***Elementary Poetry Contest***  
***Awards Ceremony***

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## ***Grades 6 - 12 Writing Contest***

Congratulations

Ameyali Herrera-Hernandez

For Winning Honorable Mention

in 9-12 Category

## ***Newcomer Awards***

*The following students have been in U.S. schools for one year or less. One Newcomer Award is given out for each grade level. The purpose of this award is to encourage our English learners to write.*

*Congratulations to...*

**❖ *Second Grade Winner:***      ***Samuel Gurrola Anais***

*Sponsoring Teacher:*      *Allison Pfaff*

**❖ *Third Grade Winner:***      ***Zhuoyan Chen***

*Sponsoring Teacher:*      *Donna DeVito*

**❖ *Fourth Grade Winner:***      ***Sang Pi***

*Sponsoring Teacher:*      *Kimberly Seaman*

**❖ *Fifth Grade Winner:***      ***Rama Marellapudi***

*Sponsoring Teacher:*      *Camilla Lopez*

## ***Newcomer Award of Merit – Second Grade***

***Name: Samuel Gurrola Anais***

***Title: My Chili***

*I made some chili  
In my house  
I put in spices and onions too  
Let's mix some more  
And put carrots  
Now we bake  
And then we eat  
What's for dessert?  
This again, yyyuuppyyy!*

***Newcomer Award of Merit – Third Grade***

***Name: Zhuoyan Chen***

***Title: Clouds***

*White Clouds in the Sky*

*Moving all the day and night*

*Like Cotton Candy*

***Newcomer Award of Merit – Fourth Grade***

***Name: Sang Pi***

***Title: Sun***

*Sun is here today*

*Let's play soccer in the park*

*We have to go home.*

## ***Newcomer Award of Merit – Fifth Grade***

***Name: Rama Marellapudi***

***Title: Rama***

*Scientific, Artistic, Thoughtful, Generous.*

*Son of Bhaskar and Padmaja*

*Who enjoys...*

*Swimming with sister.*

*Singing songs in my language.*

*Eating cheese pizza with my family.*

*Who feels...*

*Getting excited when I move to another country.*

*Happy when I turn into 11 on my birthday.*

*When the teacher scolds me I feel like I am scared.*

*who wonders...*

*When I will be a Scientist.*

*When I will be a astronaut.*

*When I will return to India.*

*Who fears...*

*Real ghosts.*

*Dinosaur coming to eat me.*

*A giant beanstalk.*



***Second Grade Acrostic Poems***

***First Place***

***Name: Andrew Garcia***

***Title: Tamales***

**T**astes so delicious

**A**ndrew loves them

**M**y grandma makes the best

**A**lways made with corn dough

**L**et's eat at Christmas

**E**ach of them has something inside

**S**o I enjoy it

***Second Grade Acrostic Poems***

***Second Place***

***Name: Trezina Alley***

***Title: Trezina***

**Th**inks about swimming

**R**eally likes pizza

**E**ats apples

**Z**ero fights with sister

**I**mportant to self

**N**ever is mean

**A**lways loves family

## ***Second Grade Bio Poems – First Place***

***Name: Augustyn Dzie niowski***

***Title: Augustyn***

Helpful, honest, friendly and intelligent

Son of Olo a house painter and Urszula a mom

Lover of going to Polish school, reading comics, and sledding down the  
hill

Who feels proud when he passes a level in ice skating, shy the first day  
of every school, and calm when sleeping

Who dreams to be a chemical scientist so he and his sister can try to make new creatures or make  
myths real

Who fears getting a blood test, grizzly bears, and trying new things

Who would like to see Poland to see his grandpa

Who lives in Carol Stream because there is a pond where he can go fishing

## ***Second Grade Bio Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Frank Solano***

Frank

Picky, sly, playful, and helpful

Son of Cira a mom and Jose a lyft driver

Lover of playing soccer, going swimming, and playing volleyball

Happy when I get a new toy,

Proud when I pass a test, and

Mad when my sister blames me

Who dreams to be a teacher

Because you get to teach math

Who fears being bitten by a snake,

Giving speeches,

And being alone

Who would like to see Washington D.C.

Because I want to see the Washington Monument

Who lives in Carol Stream which is a great place to live because there is a pool nearby

***Second Grade Diamante Poems – First Place***

*Name: Aayan Tareen*

*Title: Cricket / Soccer*

*Cricket*

*Slow, Fun*

*Hitting, Running, Batting*

*Wicket, Strikes, Net, Goal*

*Kicking, Blocking, Winning*

*Fast, Exciting*

*Soccer*

***Second Grade Diamante Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Samhitha Jaliparthi***

***Title: India – United States***

*India*

*Colorful, Beautiful*

*Shopping, Saris, Ice Cream, Jeans*

*Studying, Playing, Reading*

*Giant, Fantastic*

*United States*

***Second Grade Haiku Poems – First Place***

***Name: Timur Turba***

***Title: Sharks***

*Sharks swim in the sea*

*Looking for and eating prey*

*They are predators*

## ***Second Grade Open Poems – First Place***

***Name: Jose Garcia***

***Title: Soccer***

*When I play soccer*

*I feel like*

*Cristiano Ronaldo*

*I nutmeg*

*Rainbow kick*

*And score a goal.*

*When I play soccer*

*I feel so proud!*



## ***Second Grade Open Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Zaid Ghanem***

***Title: One star***

*One shiny friend*

*Like a flashlight*

*In the sky*

*So sparkling and shimmering*

*One shiny friend*

*The sun shines*

*Good night friend*

## ***Pictures of our second grade winners***



***The Best of the Best Winner for second grade is...***



***Third Grade Acrostic Poems***

***First Place***

***Name: Joseph Cuazitl Tochimani***

***Title: Baseball***

**B**alls and bats

**A**ll American past-time

**S**ounds of kids cheering

**E**xcited to win the game

**B**aseball is my favorite sport

**A**round the bases

**L**ove playing with my dad

**L**ike throwing the ball

## ***Third Grade Acrostic Poems***

### ***Second Place***

***Name: Taj Unissa Syeda***

***Title: Brother***

**B**rother is for joy and I have one who is three months old

**R**eality is that I can't live without him.

**O**n, he is so cute and chubby and he entertains us all the time.

**T**he moment I go home I play with him and hold him.

**H**is name is Zain and we all love him.

**E**njoyment is what he gives us.

**R**eading a book makes him laugh.

## ***Third Grade Bio Poems – First Place***

***Name: Dalilah Herrera***

Dalilah

Brave, honest, energetic, and sneaky

Daughter of Denise who is a nurse at a hospital and

Antonio who owns a restaurant

Lover of running around her house,

riding her electric scooter, and jumping in the snow

Who feels sad when someone makes fun of her,

Happy when she could do what she wants, and

lonely when she has no one to play with

Who dreams to be a doctor

because she can be like her mom

and help people when they are hurt

Who fears America having a war,

being bitten by a rattlesnake, and losing her parents

Who would like to see outer space because she could

see the Moon up close

Who lives in Wheaton which has very kind neighbors

## ***Third Grade Bio Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Krystian Mostowski***

Krystian

Kind, hardworking, creative, and athletic

Son of Monika who is an accountant

And

Dawid who is a electrician

Lover of crab hunting with his dad,

Playing soccer with his team,

And

Going on scary water slides

Who feels happy when he is with his family,

Successful when he gets an A+ on a test,

And

Sad when he gets hurt

Who dreams to be

A house builder because you get wreck old houses

And build new ones

Who fears robbers breaking into his house,

A world war 3,

And

A real lockdown in his school

Who would like to visit

A crab museum because crab are his favorite animal

Who lives in Wheaton

A town that has good ice cream

And cool car show

***Third Grade Diamante Poems – First Place***

***Name: Angelina Wu***

***Title: China / United States***

*China*

*Crowded, Huge*

*Eating, Dancing, Planting*

*Dumplings, Apartments, Pizza, Houses*

*Playing, Learning, Talking*

*Kind, Enormous*

*United States*

***Third Grade Diamante Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Bold Shagai Enkhbat***

***Title: Chicago / Ulan Bator***

*Willis*

*Beautiful cool*

*Driving doing working*

*Park Beach Horses Highway*

*Teaching learning walking*

*Dry Homey*

*Sukhbaatar*



***Third Grade Haiku Poems – First Place***

***Name: Wiktor Kawula***

***Title: Bison***

*Powerful bison*

*Eating grass on the dry land*

*Giant and furry*

***Third Grade Haiku Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Pramisha Puwar***

***Title: Snakes***

*Two beautiful eyes*

*Slither on the grassy ground*

*A lot poisonous*

***Third Grade Open Poems – First Place***

***Name: Khin Rose Sar***

***Title: Burma / Myanmar***

*Our country is Myanmar.*

*Our country speaks Burmese.*

*Our country has many mountains, rivers, and animals.*

*Our country is near China.*

*Our favorite food is rice and vegetables.*

*Our country is called golden land because there are many golden pagodas.*

## ***Third Grade Open Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Issa Chamali***

***Title: Family***

*I love my family*

*My family is amazing*

*They are the best*

*They help me a lot*

*They do a lot for me*

*We play together*

*We watch movies together*

*We do everything for each other*

*We go everywhere together*

*We like collecting leaves and rocks*

*My family is the best*

*We like to listen to Christmas songs*

*We do everything together!!*

***Pictures of our third grade winners***



***The Best of the Best Winner for third grade is...***



## ***Fourth Grade Acrostic Poems***

### ***First Place***

***Name: Hillary Mora***

***Title: Christmas***

Chocolate is good

House Christmas lights

Red nose reindeer is very cute

I like making igloos

Santa Claus is very nice

Tree with lights

Making Christmas cookies

All presents under the tree

Snow is very fun

***Fourth Grade Acrostic Poems***  
***Second Place***

***Name: Gerardo Gonzalez***

***Title: Gerardo***

**G**ames

**E**xciting things

**R**are things

**A**rizona

**R**idiculous

**D**og

**O**tters

## ***Fourth Grade Bio Poems – First Place***

***Name: Karim Abusaman***

Karim

Intelligent, joyful, active, and very mature

Son of Alaa & Hoda the Palestinian visual designers

Love of computer programming, swimming, and shawarma

Who feels ecstatic when I attend parties, depressed when I am denied of going to play dates, joyful when I am approved of hanging out with my friends

Who dreams to be the best visual designer like my mother and father. And dreams to put my talent for computer programming to good use.

Who fears death, eye pecking pigeons of my nightmares, and tiny eyed fat shrews

Who would like to see the glorious and beautiful Paris and visit the Eiffel Tower

Who lives in the funky and funny town of Wheaton, Illinois



## ***Fourth Grade Bio Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Amaris Guadarrama***

Amaris

Funny, pretty, graceful, and adventurous

Daughter of Danielle a massage therapist and Liberato, a mechanic

Love of family, adventures, and cheerleading

Who feels tickled pink when my mom and dad and family kiss me and hug me, sad when they leave, mad when people mess with me.

Who dreams to be a Youtuber and singer because I'll be famous as a singer and have money as a Youtuber.

Who fears mountain lions because they're big and have several sharp teeth .

Who would like to see the shiny snow in Alaska, and dog sledding teams because I've dreamed to get there and it's beautiful there.

Who lives at a beautiful place called St. Charles Square.

***Fourth Grade Diamante Poems – First Place***

***Name: Genaro Ramirez Jr.***

***Title: Mexican Chips/American Chips***

*Takis*

*Tasty Spicy*

*Devour Crunch Burn*

*Family Foods Tampico Walmart Target*

*Melt Gobble Chew*

*Salty Sour*

*Lays*

***Fourth Grade Diamante Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Zainab Al Khateeb***

***Title: Iraqi Music / American Music***

***Music***

***perfect funny***

***laughing singing marrying***

***party dance Youtube sisters***

***singing dancing smiling***

***funny perfect***

***songs***

***Fourth Grade Haiku Poems – First Place***

***Name: Mechac Lukombo***

***Title: Spring Trees***

*Trees are colorful*

*The trees give us food to eat*

*Mangoes grow on trees*

## ***Fourth Grade Haiku Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Haden Bien***

***Title: Vietnam***

*It naver snow there*

*many animals live there*

*outside little rain*

## ***Pictures of our fourth grade winners***



***The Best of the Best Winner for fourth grade is...***



***Fifth Grade Acrostic Poems***

***First Place***

***Name: Jaqueline Garcia***

***Title: Love***

**L**ove is strong

**O**f course it's beautiful

**V**ariety of people feel and admire it

**E**veryone has a chance to be some else's treasure

***Fifth Grade Acrostic Poems***

***Second Place***

***Name: Sungjoon Yoon***

***Title: Airplanes***

**A**t the sky

**I**n air

**R**are things in the clouds

**P**eople travel around the world

**L**anding approach

**A** cool looking jet

**N**ot on ground

**E**nding the flight

**S**itting in first class



## ***Fifth Grade Bio Poems – First Place***

***Name: Arturo Rubio***

Arturo

Silly, bossy, sneaky, and happy

Son of Jorge a factory worker, and Brenda a homemaker

Love of video games, sports, and reading

Who feels joyful when I'm with my family, gloomy when someone passes away, and shy while doing a presentation

Who dreams to be a policeman because I want to save and protect people and also fight for America

Who fears spiders like tarantulas, dark scary nights, and creepy clowns

Who would like to see Mexico because I have family who lives there and I want to go and see them and also stay there forever

Who lives in Warrenville, IL where many Spanish speaking families have fun

## ***Fifth Grade Bio Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Lazaro Mino***

Lazaro

Funny, friendly, shy, and imaginative

Son of Lazaro a builder in Mexico, and Maria a hairdresser in West Chicago

Love of video games, helping with my mom and protecting my goal for my soccer team

Who feels depressed when I mess up on something in class,

frustrated when my creation is destroyed and delighted when I talk to

my friends who say funny things in the lunchroom

Who dreams to be like Ochoa, the Mexican goalie, that always protects

his goals and I want to protect goals like him

Who fears jolly clowns, spiders that can harm you, and creepy dolls

Who would like to see my home in Mexico that's called Puebla where

all my family members came from

Who lives in a house in Warrenville, Illinois where my friends live and speak Spanish

***Fifth Grade Diamante Poems – First Place***

*Name: Peter Mang*

*Title: School*

*Bower School*

*New different*

*studying testing writing*

*Basketball Math soccer dodgeball*

*Drawing learning celebrating*

*old fantastic*

*Lowell School*

***Fifth Grade Haiku Poems – First Place***

***Name: Zach Alyahya***

***Title: Winter***

***Snow is falling down***

***Snowflacks fell from the blue sky***

***I can make snowment***

***Fifth Grade Haiku Poems – Second Place***

***Name: Dhruv Shukla***

***Title: The Old Tree***

***Tree***

***Is there for ever?***

***In fall, winter, spring, summer.***

***It is the oak tree.***

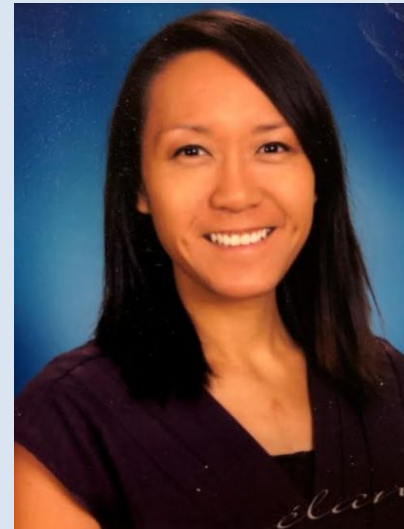
***Pictures of our fifth grade winners***



***The Best of the Best Winner for fifth grade is...***



*Thank you for coming!*



*Please enjoy the refreshments.*







