Illinois ITBE is proud to announce the winners of the 2019 Elementary Poetry Contest. There were a total of 164 entries. Congratulations to the 12 teacher sponsors and the writers of the winning poems!

Andrea Barbel
Don Casper
Melissa Chiappini
Brian Clark
Betsy Cox
Donna DeVito
Andrea Fridley
Melissa Koening
Gail LoBue
Ewa Richer
Kimberly Seaman
Jo Turner
Clifford Johnson Elementary School, Warrenville
Washington Elementary, Wheaton
Lowell Elementary, Wheaton
Washington Elementary, Wheaton
Southern View Elementary School, Springfield
Madison Elementary School, Hinsdale
Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Winfield
Lowell Elementary, Wheaton
Clifford Johnson Elementary School, Warrenville
Willow Bend, Rolling Meadows
Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Winfield
Lowell Elementary, Wheaton

Newcomer Award of Merit
This is the fourth year that ITBE has given out this award to one student per grade level. In order to qualify for this award, judges chose a student who has attended school in the U.S. for twelve months or less. (This information was taken off of the cover sheet.) In addition, the student did not win in any other category.

Grade level  Winner  Sponsoring Teacher

-third  Gabriel Karolyi  Melissa Chiappini
Fourth  Giselle Rosales Ramirez  Don Casper
Fifth  Ella Yan  Donna DeVito