**E N T R Y RULES**

**THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL BUCKS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL**

**POET OF THE YEAR CONTEST 2020**

**ELIGIBILITY:**

All 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th graders who either reside in Bucks County or attend high school in Bucks County

**ENTRY RULES:**

1. Three (3) poems; no more, no fewer. Any style, form, or length.

2. Typed, 1 inch margins, no double-sided pages. Start each poem on a new page (= don’t put more than one poem on a page). No fancy, large, or tiny fonts. Black ink only. No illustrations of any sort. Entries that do not follow these rules will be disqualified.

3. **Do not place name or address on poetry pages for judging. Entries with names on them will be automatically disqualified.**

4. Attach Entry Form with a **paper clip** to packet of poems. **NO STAPLES** please!

5. Please fill out the Entry Form completely, telling us whether you would like to have your work considered for the anthology. Winners and placers will automatically have their work published in the anthology. And please, **write very clearly**, so we can spell your name correctly and contact you.

6. **MANUSCRIPTS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.** Do not send the original or only copy of manuscript.

**DEADLINE: Post marked or hand-delivered by Friday, March 6, 2020, 4 p.m.**

Poems must be mailed to:

Bucks County High School Poet of the Year Contest

Department of Language and Literature, Grupp Hall 105

Bucks County Community College

275 Swamp Road

Newtown, PA 18940

**NOTIFICATION** **OF WINNER:**

Winner will be notified by a Director of the Poet Laureate Program. All contestants will be notified shortly thereafter using the email address you provided.

**AWARDS:**

$300 Honorarium

Formal Award Presentation by the Bucks County Commissioners

Public reading at Bucks County Community College

Inclusion in the anthology of entrants

Announcement in local newspapers

Bucks County Community College sponsors the Poet Laureate Program. The director of this contest is Bucks County Community College professor, Dr. Ethel Rackin. Contest judges are the 2018 and 2019 Bucks County Poet Laureates.

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**POET’S HIGH SCHOOL**

**GRADE**

**NAME**

**ADDRESS**

**CITY STATE ZIP**

**PHONE NUMBER**

**EMAIL (optional)**

**TITLES OF POEMS (must match the title on the poem)**

**1**

**2**

**3**

**IMPORTANT: Would you like your work to be considered for the anthology of poems by contest entrants and give permission for us to use your work in this publication? Winners and placers’ work will automatically be included in the anthology; otherwise, blank responses will be interpreted as “no.”**

**□ Yes □ No**

For further information or for additional Entry Forms, go to www.bucks.edu, call the College at 215-968-8150, 8:30-4:00pm., write the College at the address listed above, or send an email to Dr. Ethel Rackin (ethel.rackin@bucks.edu). The College assumes no responsibility for the loss of any work.

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