

Official Entry Form

(Each entry must have a completed entry form.)

Student Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

School Coordinator _____

School Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

County/District _____

County Coordinator _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

State Coordinator _____

State Division _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Recognition and Awards

National awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners in the five divisions in both the Poetry and the Poster Contests. Winners will be announced in April 2004 and posted on the NCDA website at www.ncda.org. Certificates of participation will be given to all national entries. State divisions will determine their own prizes. County/District and building awards are made at the discretion of the local coordinators.

Note:

All national entries become the property of the National Career Development Association and will not be returned. The association reserves the right to use the poems and posters to focus attention on activities and promote Career Development Month goals.

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NATIONAL CAREER
DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

38th Annual National Career Development Month *November 2003*

Celebrate your favorite career
by entering the
**38th Annual NCDA Career Development
Poetry and Poster Contests:**

NATIONAL THEME:
It's not just my Job, it's my Career!

*Please participate in the
National Career Development Month
by planning the following celebrations:*

National Career Development Week
November 17 – 23, 2003

This week is designed to highlight the importance of life-long career development and the personal empowerment of all people. Events and activities should be planned to help examine lives, careers, and the alternatives available to increase everyone's personal success and happiness.

National Career Development Day
November 19, 2003



Eligibility: Every adult and student enrolled in public, private, and parochial schools in states with NCDA state divisions are eligible. A complete list of state divisions is available on the NCDA website at www.ncda.org. Contest division areas include:

- Primary Grades K – 2
- Intermediate Grades 3 – 5
- Middle Grades 6 - 8
- Senior Grades 9 - 12
- Adult Student . . . 18 and older
enrolled in school
- Open Adult 18 and older
not enrolled in school
(teachers, parents, and
professionals, etc.)

Each entry should celebrate and inspire career development with a positive tone.

Requirements for Poems

Poetic Form: Use of any acceptable poetic form (i.e. cinquain, free verse, diamante, haiku, limerick, metered, rhyming, blank verse).

Size: Submit each poem on a single sheet of paper 8.5" X 11" in 12 point font.

Requirements for Posters

Lettering: Simple bold lettering is preferred. Captions are to be used to convey the message, attract attention, and to achieve goals of clarity, vigor and originality. All lettering will be considered part of the design.

Media: Ink, pencil, collage, poster paints, magic marker, acrylic, photography, computer-generated graphics, oil, cut and pasted paper.

Size: Each poster must be created in 8.5" by 11" format, including matt, to be eligible.

Contest Deadlines:

Building/School Contest by November 19, 2003

First, second, and third place winners in the Building/School Contest should be sent to the County/District Contest.

County/District Contest by December 3, 2003

First, second, and third place winners in the County/District Contest should be sent to the State Contest.

State Contest by January 14, 2004

First, second, and third place winners in the State Contest should be sent to the National Contest.

The state chair will notify all state coordinators and award winners to have their winning entries delivered to the National Chair by January 14, 2004. State coordinators are responsible for coordinating prizes, certificates, and celebration for their state winners. National awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners in the six divisions in both the Poetry and Poster Contests.

National Results will be posted on the NCDA Website by April 15, 2004.

Send to:

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Judging Process

Teams: Each judging team will consist of educators including a member of the language arts and/or arts department, parents, and a representative from business/industry in the community. Selection of judges is left to the discretion of the contest coordinators.

Criteria: Judging will be based on originality, creativity, and development of the national theme. Poems will be evaluated on appropriate form, execution, spelling, and grammar. Poster evaluation will focus on the appropriate use of media, lettering, and basic principals of art.

State Awards

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National Awards

National judges of the Poetry and Poster Contests will prepare and send a list of all national winners to NCDA Headquarters and the National Chair by April 15, 2004. The winners will be announced on the NCDA website at www.ncda.org by April 2004.

The National Chair will prepare the national awards and publications displaying national winning entries.