

Poetry Writing

Before the fair, students will submit an original work of poetry in the target language. There is no specific length for the poems. Students will be judged on their ability to demonstrate correct use of the target language, as well as their creative ability. **POETRY WRITING MUST BE POSTMARKED BY February 28, 2016.**

All work must be done solely by the student. The use of dictionaries is permitted. Poems will be judged by faculty of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures before the Fair, and winners will be announced on the day of the Fair. All students will be judged in the same competition [no distinction for levels].

Students of **Japanese** will be able to submit Haiku verse. For further information on the Japanese portion of the poetry-writing contest, please contact Professor Matsuda (ymatsuda@memphis.edu).

PLEASE NOTE:

- For all entries, the student must sign an appropriate pledge, which will also be signed by the teacher.
- There is a maximum of three entries per class.
- Poems that have won prizes in previous years may not be re-submitted.

Judging Criteria: Students will be judged on their ability to demonstrate correct use of the target language, as well as their creative ability.

WHO MAY COMPETE: Only foreign language students and speakers of cognate languages may participate in this event. (Native and heritage speakers may NOT participate.)

(Native and heritage speakers are defined as students who have been raised speaking the target language, or who have had one or more years of study in a school in which the working language is the same as that of the target language.)

LIMITS: Maximum of three entries per class.