

# 4-H Poetry Contest

## 2024

### 4-H Poetry Contest Rules

- ◇ Poems must be the original work of the 4-H member. (Plagiarized poems will be disqualified.)
- ◇ Junior 4-H members are between the ages of 9-13. Senior 4-H members are between the ages of 14-18. Age is determined by the youth's age on December 31 (of current year).
- ◇ Poems can be written on any age-appropriate subject. Poems must be family-friendly.
- ◇ Poem must have a title.
- ◇ Poem should be typed or neatly written on regular-size, lined paper. (If time permits, typed poems are preferred.)
- ◇ Poem should be between 3-25 lines. Haikus are permitted.
- ◇ The poem should contain the youth's name, age, school, and grade at the end of the poem.
- ◇ County champions will be selected by the judge. There will be two junior champions chosen, and two senior champions chosen. These champion poems advance to the State 4-H Written Communication Contest.
- ◇ Poems submitted to the county contest should have the statement of authenticity attached.

**4-H Poetry Contest Deadline** is Friday, November 22, 2024.

Poems need to be delivered or e-mailed to 4-H agent by 3:30pm. There is a drop box by the Extension Office kitchen door for your convenience when the office is closed.

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4-H WRITTEN COMMUNICATION CONTEST  
STATEMENT OF AUTHENTICITY

This is to verify that the piece I entered in the 4-H poetry contest is my original work. I further verify that this poem has never been published and has not been submitted to the 4-H poetry contest before this year.

I give my permission for my writing piece:

- ◇ To be submitted for judging.
- ◇ To be published in local and social media.
- ◇ To be displayed in the local community.
- ◇ To be displayed at the Kentucky State Fair.

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4-H Member's Signature

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Parent/Guardian/Teacher Signature

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Date

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Date

