



## ORIGINAL POETRY SUBMISSION

We know that many students like to write original poems. Although we don't have a national contest to submit them to, we would like to recognize students' original work at our state contest.

If you enter your school in the state Poetry Out Loud competition this year (by submitting a recording of your school winner), you are also invited to enter up to three original poems by students at the same time, in the same package. The three poems can be written by the same student author or different students. The original poems should be eight to 32 lines and include the title of the poem and name of the author.

Three student poets will be selected to have their poems presented between rounds of the state competition on March 15. The poets and chaperones will receive an expenses-paid trip to the state contest. The student poets can choose who will present their poems.

We want to promote the writing of poetry as well as its recitation. We will be interested in hearing your feedback about the setup this year. E-mail me at [rosieblunk@yahoo.com](mailto:rosieblunk@yahoo.com) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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