

The [Young Authors' Contest](#) is ending soon! The deadline for submissions is **Friday, January 21st**. This contest is for students in **grades 1 through 5** who would like to write a short story and/or poem in their free time. The contest begins at Longfellow where students will compete with their classmates for the best short story and poem. One winner from each category will be selected at each grade level to compete at the Howard County level.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the students of Longfellow to showcase their writing talent to the Longfellow community and beyond! Students in grades 1-5 were presented with the necessary information and were given the guidelines and cover sheet to take home.

Downloadable versions of the guidelines and cover sheet are attached for your convenience. If your child would prefer to email his or her story, rather than print it, you can send all entries along with the completed [cover sheet](#) to [catherine\\_baruah@hcpss.org](mailto:catherine_baruah@hcpss.org). Please have your child save his or her story as a WORD Document. The winning stories and poems will need to be submitted to the Howard County competition electronically. Students have until **January 21, 2022** to submit their poem and/or short story. If you have any questions or would prefer a paper copy of the cover sheet, please contact [catherine\\_baruah@hcpss.org](mailto:catherine_baruah@hcpss.org). We are looking forward to reading many amazing stories and poems. Happy writing!!

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