



## Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) Illustrated Poem Contest ENTRY FORM

Please fill out this form and attach it after the poem. All fields are required. Incomplete forms will invalidate the entry.

**A parent/guardian signature is required for the student to enter this contest.**

The deadline for the North Carolina Local Section Contest is **Sunday, April 26, 2026 by 11:59 PM ET.**

Submit poems and entry forms to <[s.seay@duke.edu](mailto:s.seay@duke.edu)>

Student and Organization Information		
Student Name:		
Student Grade:		
Parent/Guardian Name:		
Parent/Guardian Email:		
Parent/Guardian Address:		
Parent/Guardian City:	State:	Zip:
Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) Illustrated Poem Contest Permission & Release		
1. I represent that I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student, and grant permission for my student to enter the Chemists Celebrate Earth Week (CCEW) Illustrated Poem Contest ("Contest").		
2. I grant permission and authorize the American Chemical Society to collect and use the personal information provided in this form about me and my student to administer this contest, or as otherwise set out in the Rules. Except where prohibited by law, participation in the Contest constitutes me and my student's consent to the storage, use, and disclosure of information provided in this form.		
3. I hereby grant permission for my student's submission to be exhibited in any publications, websites, and/or social media which may be used for the purpose of administering and promoting the Contest.		
I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to the <a href="#">Rules</a> and that I have read this Entry Form prior to signing it.		
<b>Parent/Guardian Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	
School or Sponsoring Group (e.g., Boys and Girls Club or Scout Troop, 4-H, etc.):		
Teacher Name:		
Teacher Email:		
School Address:		

School Address 2:			
School City:	State:	Zip:	
Please send any follow up for the student to the <u>parent</u> <input type="checkbox"/> or <u>teacher</u> <input type="checkbox"/> email or address.			
<i>By including your information, you are consenting to receive email or mailing notifications from the American Chemical Society regarding the Contest entry.</i>			
<b>Illustration Type (Check one)</b>			
Hand-drawn art <input type="checkbox"/>		Digitally created art <input type="checkbox"/>	
If the poem was digitally created, please name the software used in the box below:			
<b>Judging Category by Grade (Check one)</b>			
K-2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3-5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6-8 <input type="checkbox"/>	9-12 <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>FOR LOCAL SECTION USE ONLY</b>			
Local Section Name:			
CCEW Coordinator Name:			
CCEW Coordinator Email/Phone:			

A parent/guardian signature indicates agreement for the student to enter the contest. More information is available at [www.acs.org/CCEW](http://www.acs.org/CCEW).

## Official Contest Rules

The North Carolina Local Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Winners of the Local Section's Illustrated Poem Contest will advance to the National Illustrated Poem Contest for a chance to be featured on the ACS website and to win prizes!

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Write and illustrate a poem using the CCEW theme, **“Into the Woods with Chemistry”**  
Your poem must be **no more** than 40 words and in the following styles to be considered:

**HAIKU - LIMERICK - ODE - ABC POEM - FREE VERSE - END RHYME - BLANK VERSE**

Topics related to the **tree** theme include:

- Photosynthesis
- Cellulose
- Glucose
- Preservation
- Chlorophyll
- Resin
- Polymer
- Carbon Dioxide



Entries will be judged based upon:

- Artistic Merit - use of color, quality of drawing, design, and layout
- Poem Message - fun, motivational, and inspiring about the yearly theme
- Originality Creativity - unique, clever, and/or creative design
- Neatness - free of spelling and grammatical errors

Contest rules:

- All poems must be no more than 40 words, and in one of the following styles to be considered: Haiku, Limerick, Ode, ABC poem, Free verse, End rhyme, and Blank verse.
- Entries are judged based upon relevance to and incorporation of the CCEW theme, word choice and imagery, colorful artwork, adherence to poem style, originality and creativity, and overall presentation.
- All entries must be original works without aid from others. Poems may be submitted by hand on an unlined sheet of paper not larger than 11" by 14" or scanned and sent via email. Illustrations may be created using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils, or markers. The illustration may also be electronically created by using a digital painting and drawing app on a computer, tablet, or mobile device.
- The text of the poem should be easy-to-read and may be typed before the hand-drawn or digital illustration is added, or the poem may be written on lined paper, which is cut out and pasted onto the unlined paper with the illustration.
- No clipart or unoriginal images can be used.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted; all entries must include an entry form.
- If the illustration is created using a digital painting or drawing app, the name of the program must be included on the entry form (No AI).
- Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners' first name and last initial, along with the name of the ACS Local Section, on the ACS web pages and, in the magazine, Chemical & Engineering News