**2020 CCEW Illustrated Poem Contest**

**Protecting Our Planet Through Chemistry**

The Greater Houston Local Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in Kindergarten through 12th grade.

**Contest Deadline: April 15, 2020**

**Prizes: $25 first place for each grade level.**

**Contact: Amiee Modic (email only due to COVID 19)** [chemmodic@gmail.com](mailto:chemmodic@gmail.com)

Winners of the Greater Houston 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! The local section winner for National Chemistry Week was from Houston! Keep it going kids😊

Write and illustrate a poem using the CCEW theme, “Protecting Our Planet through 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**

**Possible topics related to sustainable chemistry include:**

Green chemistry Environment Pollution

Clean air and water Natural resources Waste

**Entries will be judged based upon:**

Artistic Merit - use of color, quality of drawing, design & layout

Poem Message - fun, motivational, inspiring about 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 NCW 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.
* All illustrated poems and/or digital representations of the poems become the property of the American Chemical Society.
* Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners’ names, likenesses, and entries for editorial, advertising, and publicity purposes.