



**2012 AACPS ELEMENTARY & JUNIOR HIGH  
ESSAY & POETRY CONTEST  
NATIONAL WINNERS**

PLACE	ELEMENTARY		JUNIOR HIGH	
	ESSAY	POETRY	ESSAY	POETRY
<b>1st</b>	Olivia Anair – 6 Trinity Baptist School Williston, VT	Thomas Huang – 5 Schaumburg Christian School Schaumburg, IL	Jenna Jeffcoat – 8 Grace Christian School West Columbia, SC	Abby Squires – 8 Wilmington Christian Wilmington, NC
<b>2nd</b>	Hudson Wellin - 6 Community Baptist Christian South Bend, IN	Darcy Thomas – 5 Tri-City Christian School Independence, MO	Josh Mendoza – 7 Heritage Christian School Frankfort, IL	Giavana Trivisonno – 7 Mentor Christian School Mentor, OH
<b>3rd</b>	Lakin Brown – 6 Cross Lanes Christian Cross Lanes, WV	Esther Anderson – 5 Mentor Christian School Mentor, OH	Bethany Okupski – 8 West Seneca Christian West Seneca, NY	Janelle Thompson – 8 Heritage Christian Acad Mount Laurel, NJ

**STATE WINNERS**

STATE	ELEMENTARY		JUNIOR HIGH	
	ESSAY	POETRY	ESSAY	POETRY
<b>ALABAMA</b>	Mahaley Renfroe – 5 Conecuh Springs Christian Sch Union Springs, AL	Kelsey Handley – 6 Flint Hill Christian School Bessemer, AL	Olivia Russell – 8 Cornerstone Christian School Decatur, AL	Rachel Lacey – 8 Flint Hill Christian School Bessemer, AL
<b>ALASKA</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	Jade Hodne – 7 Gateway Christian School Ketchikan, AK
<b>ARKANSAS</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY
<b>ARIZONA</b>	Anikka Jeffries – 6 Tri-City Christian Academy Chandler, AZ	Hannah Lord – 6 Arrowhead Christian Academy Glendale, AZ	Mackenzie Delo – 8 Tri-City Christian Academy Chandler, AZ	Aubrey Surchik – 8 Tri-City Christian Academy Chandler, AZ
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>	Mika Sanchez – 6 Valley Christian Academy Santa Maria, CA	Megan Visé – 5 Valley Christian Academy Santa Maria, CA	Shawn Weldon – 8 Valley Christian Academy Santa Maria, CA	Katie Parker – 8 Valley Christian Academy Santa Maria, CA
<b>COLORADO</b>	Bryce Paruch – 4 Pear Park Baptist Grand Junction, CO	Joshua Petterle – 6 Highlands Baptist Homeschool Centennial, CO	Jared Lotz – 8 Faith Baptist School Longmont, CO	Savannah Paruch – 8 Pear Park Baptist Grand Junction, CO
<b>CONNECTICUT</b>	Rachel Higley – 6 Stedfast Christian Academy Groton, CT	Rosangela Orlandi – 6 Hartford Christian Academy West Hartford, CT	Rebekah Gengarella – 7 Stedfast Christian Academy Groton, CT	Jeffrey Ludka – 7 Stedfast Christian Academy Groton, CT
<b>FLORIDA</b>	Vivian Abry – 4 Land O’Lakes Christian School Land O’Lakes, FL	Kaylina Duncan – 4 Victory Christian Academy Jacksonville, FL	Emily Reyes – 8 Brush Arbor Christian Orlando, FL	Bryce Hoynoski – 7 Land O’Lakes Christian School Land O’Lakes, FL
<b>GEORGIA</b>	Brooke Tingle – 5 Philadelphia Christian School Rutledge, GA	Kara Astles – 6 Philadelphia Christian School Rutledge, GA	Tori Glenn – 8 King’s Way Christian School Douglasville, GA	Jazmin Golden – 8 King’s Way Christian School Douglasville, GA
<b>ILLINOIS</b>	Joanna Schlagel – 6 Marquette Manor Baptist Acad Downers Grove, IL	Thomas Huang – 5 Schaumburg Christian School Schaumburg, IL	Josh Mendoza – 7 Heritage Christian School Frankfort, IL	Emily Shaleen – 7 Heritage Christian School Frankfort, IL
<b>INDIANA</b>	Hudson Wellin – 6 Community Baptist Christian South Bend, IN	Naomi Coleman – 6 Crosspointe Christian Acad Indianapolis, IN	Daniel Endres – 7 Community Baptist Christian South Bend, IN	Preslie Plew – 7 Indiana Christian Academy Anderson, IN
<b>IOWA</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY
<b>KANSAS</b>	Tristan Trenary – 4 Abilene Baptist Academy Abilene, KS	Chelsey Trenary – 4 Abilene Baptist Academy Abilene, KS	Joe Black – 7 Calvary Baptist Academy Ottawa, KS	Amy Dolan – 8 Abilene Baptist Academy Abilene, KS

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<b>MAINE</b>	Samantha Aho – 6 Coastal Christian School Waldoboro, ME	Sarah Avery – 6 Cornerstone Baptist Academy Scarborough, ME	Jonathan Batchelder – 7 Wiscasset Christian Academy Wiscasset, ME	Katie Hatfield – 8 Coastal Christian School Waldoboro, ME
<b>MASSACHUSETTS</b>	Mikayla Barnes – 6 New England Baptist Academy West Bridgewater, MA	Giana Bigelow – 6 Grace Baptist Christian Acad Attleboro, MA	Maame Banful – 8 Twin City Christian Lunenburg, MA	Olivia Burke – 7 Twin City Christian Lunenburg, MA
<b>MISSISSIPPI</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY
<b>MISSOURI</b>	David Ruiz – 6 Tri-City Christian School Independence, MO	Darcy Thomas – 5 Tri-City Christian School Independence, MO	Rebekah Jackson – 7 Tri-City Christian School Independence, MO	Jillian Fortin – 8 Eagle Heights Christian School Kansas City, MO
<b>NEBRASKA</b>	Desiree Morales – 5 Park Avenue Christian Norfolk, NE	Jasmine Jones – 5 First Baptist School Plattsmouth, NE	David Brown – 8 Park Avenue Christian Norfolk, NE	Brooklyn Quinn – 8 First Baptist School Plattsmouth, NE
<b>NEW JERSEY</b>	Jennifer Sharkey – 6 Solid Rock Christian School Berlin, NJ	Mya Mimoso – 6 Ocean Cty Christian Academy Toms River, NJ	Kenneth Kisby Jr – 8 The Pilgrim Academy Egg Harbor City, NJ	Janelle Thompson – 8 Heritage Christian Academy Mt. Laurel, NJ
<b>NEW YORK</b>	Nichole Tangen – 6 Faith Bible Academy Sprakers, NY	Carolyn Bramer – 5 Faith Bible Academy Sprakers, NY	Bethany Okupski – 8 West Seneca Christian West Seneca, NY	Sarah Martin – 8 West Seneca Christian West Seneca, NY
<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b>	Chandler Pulliam – 6 Cornerstone Christian Fayetteville, NC	Claire Greene – 6 Mt. Calvary Christian School Archdale, NC	Isabella Smith – 8 Bible Baptist Christian School Matthews, NC	Abby Squires – 8 Wilmington Christian Acad Wilmington, NC
<b>OHIO (BCSA)</b>	Olivia Schultz – 6 Heritage Christian School Findlay, OH	Esther Anderson – 5 Mentor Christian School Mentor, OH	Lana Howell – 7 Zanesville Christian School Zanesville, OH	Giavana Trivisonno – 7 Mentor Christian School Mentor, OH
<b>SOUTH CAROLINA</b>	Amie Rapp – 6 Oakwood Christian School Anderson, SC	Dianna LaTerra – 5 Carolina Christian Academy Lancaster, SC	Jenna Jeffcoat – 8 Grace Christian School West Columbia, SC	C.J. Driggers – 8 Easley Christian School Easley, SC
<b>TENNESSEE/ KENTUCKY</b>	Joella Castillo – 4 North Hardin Christian School Radcliff, KY	Sharrah Burks – 6 Calvary Christian School Chattanooga, TN	Jonathan Cooper – 7 Hendersonville Christian Acad Hendersonville, TN	Michaela Chambers – 8 Berean Academy Hixson, TN
<b>TEXAS</b>	Ty Ralston – 4 Victory Baptist Academy Weatherford, TX	Holly Bourque – 6 Bethel Christian Academy Pittsburg, TX	Daisy Graham – 7 Victory Baptist Academy Weatherford, TX	Josh Hall – 7 Bethel Christian Academy Pittsburg, TX
<b>UTAH/ROCKY MOUNTAIN</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	T J Locock – 8 Grace Baptist Church Co-op West Valley, UT
<b>VERMONT</b>	Olivia Anair – 6 Trinity Baptist School Williston, VT	Liza Cahill – 6 Trinity Baptist School Williston, VT	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY
<b>VIRGINIA</b>	Caitlin Davis – 6 Engleside Christian School Alexandria, VA	Kiara Mathis – 5 Engleside Christian School Alexandria, VA	Jenneth Dyck – 9 Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy Fairfax Station, VA	Madison Query – 7 Landmark Christian School Richmond, VA
<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b>	Lakin Brown – 6 Cross Lanes Christian Cross Lanes, WV	Lexi Brown – 5 Cross Lanes Christian Cross Lanes, WV	Hannah Hudson – 7 Cross Lanes Christian Cross Lanes, WV	Alex McCauley – 8 Wood County Christian Williamstown, WV
<b>WISCONSIN</b>	Warren Emerson – 6 Calvary Baptist Christian Sch Watertown, WI	Tim Davis – 5 Calvary Baptist Christian Sch Watertown, WI	Claire Goyak – 8 Pioneer Christian School Pembine, WI	Giselle Gearhart – 8 Pioneer Christian School Pembine, WI
<b>SOUTH KOREA</b>	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY	NO ENTRY