

In honor of budding and accomplished poets in grades K-12 and in celebration of **National Poetry Month** in April each year, students are invited to write a poem on their favorite subject for review and publishing consideration in the ***Pine Tree Poetry Collection.***

How it works:

- Poems written may be part of a class poetry lesson, an enrichment project, or written by students on their own.
- All poems must be the students' own work. We do not tolerate plagiarism!
- Any style of poem is fine.
- Carefully handwritten or typed poems need to have the student's name and home mailing address on the page and may be sent to us at:

**Pine Tree Poetry
2966 S Church St Suite 304
Burlington NC 27215**

- **The deadline for mailing is May 15 each year.**
- Our group of editors will read every poem we receive and will choose the best ones from all grade levels to be included in the ***Pine Tree Poetry Collection.***
- Poets chosen for the collection will receive a letter from us, and the ***Pine Tree Poetry Collection*** will roll off the press the following January.
- The twenty-five schools that submit the most poems for consideration (one per student) along with a completed School Submission Form will receive a \$300 award from Pine Tree Poetry in October that may be used for library materials. Fifty more schools will be awarded \$50 checks.
- Each school that submits their students' poems accompanied by the School Submission Form will receive a free copy of the book for their library.
- ***The Pine Tree Poetry Collection*** will be available in January.
- Students are invited to buy a book if their poem is chosen, but buying a book is not required in order to be selected for publication.

***Thank you for your participation.
We're looking forward to reading your poems!***