

GFWC* Boise Columbian Club Writing Contest

Deadline for submitting entries: March 1, 2024

WHO

All 7th and 8th grade school students in the Boise School District and the West Ada School District.

Students may submit an entry in one of these categories: essay, poem or short story.

All entries must be original work by the student. Any cited information must be appropriately footnoted.

WHAT

Types of entries: Essay (250-300 words), Poem (8 to 30 lines), or Short Story (500 words).

Topic: “Most Significant Life Altering Technology of the 21st Century”, including its impact on your life

Dates: January 15, 2024 to March 1, 2024 -- All entries must be written in this time period

Format: All entries must be in Word, with essays and short stories double-spaced

Word File Name: Include your last name, first name, and category (Example: JONES_ ALEX_SHORTSTORY)

REQUIRED HEADING

Entries must include the following information on the top right-hand corner of the page:

- Student’s name, email address, mailing address, and phone number
- Name of the school that the student attends
- Grade level
- Teacher’s name
- Title of the entry

JUDGING

Entries will be judged by a team of educators who are members of the GFWC Boise Columbian Club. The criteria for judging include:

- Focus on impact of 21st century technologies
- Originality and creativity
- Ideas and concepts
- Organization
- Grammar and punctuation

PRIZE CATEGORIES

Essays:

1st Prize: \$150

2nd Prize \$125

3rd Prize \$100

Poetry:

1st Prize: \$150

2nd Prize \$125

3rd Prize \$100

Short Story:

1st Prize \$150

2nd Prize \$125

3rd Prize \$100

ENTRIES

Email entries to: gfwccboise@gmail.com

Entries will not be returned, so students should keep a copy.

Winners must agree to permit the use, reproduction, and display of their entries.