

## **FINAL RESULTS OF JWC WRITING CONTEST AND I LOVE TO READ EBOOK CONTEST**

**Every year it is difficult to announce just a few winners for the JWC writing contest. All of the student writing entries were amazing and the ENC and Jeffco judges had very difficult choices with all the fantastic student works.**

**Over 1,100 Jefferson county students participated in the 2017 Jeffco Writing Challenge, submitting short fiction and poetry describing how books can change the world. The contest is sponsored by Education Nonprofit Corporation (ENC), a Golden-based nonprofit, in collaboration with Jefferson county educators.**

**"This year's entries were so inspiring!" said Jody Thomas, adjunct English Professor and ENC consultant. "The kids really ran with the idea of books changing the world."**

**Last year's winners' parents report how participation in the Jeffco Writing Challenge inspires their kids to work hard at writing well. Daniela Ciobanu, mother of last year's 8th grade 3rd place winner Theodora, told ENC that the contest "makes kids care about the quality of their writing," and many parents echoed the sentiments of Sina Hirsch, whose daughter Gwyneth was "over the moon" at receiving 1st place for 4th grade in 2016.**

**Entries are judged by a panel of elementary to post-secondary educators. First place winners will receive \$100. Second place, third place and Honorable Mention awards are gift certificates.**

**ENC was founded in 2008 and has donated over \$224,000.00 to local schools since 2009.**

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**The Jeffco Writing Challenge Awards ceremony will feature local investigative journalist Sal Christ and author Laura Padgett as keynote speakers. Charlee Burnor of Alice 105.9 will MC the awards celebration.**

**GOLDEN, CO, April 18, 2017 - FINAL RESULTS ARE BELOW:**

**Kindergarten Winners:**

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1st Pl-Maddie Woulfe  | Elk Creek Elementary    |
| 2nd Pl-Vivian Pearson | Fairmount Elementary    |
| 3rd Pl-Eli Baron      | Fairmount Elementary    |
| HM - Ava Beck         | Rooney Ranch Elementary |

**1st Grade Winners:**

|                                 |                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1st Pl-Allison Le-Fontelle Pham | Fairmount Elementary      |
| 2nd Pl-Madhvi Chittoor          | Hackberry Hill Elementary |
| 3rd Pl-Griffith Frye            | Meilkeljohn Elementary    |

**2nd Grade Winners:**

|                       |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1st Pl-Evelina Barens | Ralston Elementary            |
| 2nd Pl-Lily Woulfe    | Elk Creek Elementary          |
| 3rd Pl-Arwen Ruvolo   | Free Horizon Montessori       |
| HM - Anna Bender      | Golden View Classical Academy |

**3rd Grade Winners:**

|                          |                            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1st Pl-Lilly Phillips    | Free Horizon Montessori    |
| 2nd Pl-Natanya Ben-Akiva | Excel Academy              |
| 3rd Pl-Evie Staffrace    | Prospect Valley Elementary |
| HM - Turner Federico     | Vanderhoof Elementary      |

**4th Grade Winners:**

|                      |                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1st Pl-Haley Bisant  | Devinny Elementary         |
| 2nd Pl-Samantha Hale | Parmalee Elementary        |
| 3rd Pl-Seth Hertel   | Prospect Valley Elementary |
| HM - Lucas Speers    | Parmalee Elementary        |

**5th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Mariah Martinez  
2nd Pl-Hannah Tarman  
3rd Pl-Lily Goostree  
HM - Rhiannon Danborn

Prospect Valley Elementary  
Betty Adams Elementary  
Red Rocks Elementary  
Vanderhoof Elementary

**6th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Natalie Phillips  
2nd Pl-Berit Lundberg  
3rd Pl-Caroline Stoltenberg  
School  
HM - Sarah Falco

Bell Middle School  
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Bell Middle  
Red Rocks Elementary

**7th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Allison Ruskell  
2nd Pl-Sophie Buckman  
3rd Pl-Rhianna Dains  
HM - Paige Adzema

North Arvada Middle School  
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Bell Middle School

**8th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Tyler Burt  
2nd Pl-Danielle Killeen  
3rd Pl-Nate Pott  
HM -Ethan Cox

North Arvada Middle School  
Ken Caryl Middle School  
North Arvada Middle School  
Bell Middle School

**9th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Ava Knoshaug  
2nd Pl-Dante Fullone

Lakewood High School  
Wheat Ridge High School

**10th Grade Winner:**

1st Pl-Gaby Castillo  
3rd Pl- Madisen Hallsten  
HM-Alexis Alcalá-Parra

Lakewood High School  
Dakota Ridge High School  
Lakewood High School

**11th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Connor Horsman

Wheat Ridge High School

**12th Grade Winners:**

1st Pl-Judy Van Metre  
2nd Pl-Alessandra Fullone

Sobesky Academy  
Arvada High School

