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

Contest Deadline: Earth Day, April 22nd (entries must be post-marked by this date)

Prizes: $50.00 for the winner of each grade category
   (grades K-2 / grades 3-6 / grades 7-9 / grades 10-12)

Send entries to: Dr. William R. Smith, 3233 Dale Road, Bensalem, PA, 19020
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Winners of the Philadelphia illustrated poem contest will advance to the ACS National Illustrated Poem Contest!
Write and illustrate a poem using the CCED theme, “The Great Indoors—Your Home’s Ecosystem”. 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 water and chemistry include:
- Indoor Air
- Mold
- Odor
- Indoor Plants
- Water
- Perfume

Entries will be judged based upon:
- Relevance to and incorporation of the theme
- Various physical properties of water
- Word choice and imagery
- Any other relevant topics
- Colorful artwork

Contest Rules:
- Poems must conform to a particular style. No poem may be longer than 40 words.
- The topic of the poem and the illustration must be related to the CCED 2016 theme, “The Great Indoors — Your Home’s Ecosystem”.
- All entries must be original works without aid from others.
- Each poem must be submitted and illustrated on an unlined sheet of paper (of any type) not larger than 11” x 14”. The illustration must be created by hand using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils or markers. The text of the poem should be easy to read and may be printed with a computer, before the hand-drawn 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.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted.
- All entries must include an 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.