



# 4-H CREATIVE WRITING

CLOVER, JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE, AND SEINIOR DIVISIONS  
**EARLY ENTRY DATE**

**Awards sponsored by:** Leatherman Family In Memory of Clara S. Dick

Ribbons: Champion Junior, Intermediate, Senior Classes 1-5  
 Overall Grand Champion

Premiums: Classes A1, A3, A5 1.00  
 Classes B1-D5 4.50 4.00 3.50 3.00 2.50 2.25 2.00

<u>Clover Junior Int.</u>			<u>Senior</u>	
A	B	C	D	1. Non-fiction Article
	B	C	D	2. Non-fiction Book (1-3 Chapters)
A	B	C	D	3. Fiction Short Story
	B	C	D	4. Fiction Book (1-3 Chapters)
A	B	C	D	5. Collection of Poetry (1-5 poems, any form)

**Must be enrolled in hobby or craft project. Clovers may participate.**

- All rules from 4-H Department Rules apply.
- Entries are due in the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. on July 1st.** Please make sure you enter online by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The earlier entry date is necessary so that there is time to judge the entries before the Howard County Fair.
- Entries must be original work, created only by the exhibitor. All plagiarized entries will be disqualified.
- All work should be neatly typed or printed, double spaced, on white 8 ½ " x 11" paper (one side only) with the title and page number at the top of each page.
- Each entry should have a cover page that should list: the title of the work, the class in which it is entered, the name of the exhibitor, and the exhibitor's number. The name of the exhibitor should not appear on any other pages as the cover page will be removed and judges will judge entries without having the author's name.
- No original manuscripts should be entered, only copies of your manuscript.
- All entries should be encased in a clear plastic folder and bound in some way. Folders with brads are preferred.

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8. All entries should be no more than 20 pages long.
9. Entries will be judged on the following criteria with the highest emphasis on items a) and b):
  - a. Creativity
  - b. Originality
  - c. Use of Language
  - d. Grammar, structure, and presentation
10. Class Specifics:
  - a. Poetry classes- should have each poem typed or neatly printed on a separate sheet of paper. The titles of all the poems in the collection should be typed or printed at the top of each page, as well as on the over page.
  - b. Book classes- only the first one to three chapters should be entered.