

# TEEN WRITING CONTEST RULES



- ◆ Any Washington County resident going into grades 6-12 next fall may enter
- ◆ Submissions will be judged on technical quality of writing, creativity, & originality
- ◆ All submissions must be your original work
- ◆ Participants are limited to one submission
- ◆ Entries should be typed, double spaced, no more than 4,000 words, and submitted on paper that will allow for duplication
- ◆ Put the title of your story and page number on the top of each page
- ◆ **Do not** put your name anywhere on your story when you submit it! All entries will be judged anonymously. Your name only goes on the entry form.
- ◆ Keep a copy of the submission in case of an accident or if your entry is selected for display/publication.
- ◆ There are no restrictions on theme or content, however, the library reserves the right to not accept works that may be unsuitable for a public environment. Please keep it PG!
- ◆ Entries should be short stories, fiction OR nonfiction

## Prompt:

You (or your main character) has the opportunity to build a brand new society. Maybe they get to settle a newly discovered planet or desert island, maybe humans need to rebuild after a zombie apocalypse or alien invasion or nuclear war. Your story should describe this new society, the people in it, and what motivates them to build this world. Points for creativity!

- ◆ Submission of an entry in the contest grants the West Bend Community Memorial Library the right to display, distribute and/or publish the entry and name of the participants in the library, on the Internet, and in print publications for promotional or informational purposes.
- ◆ The creator retains the right of ownership of any writing submission.
- ◆ The judging panel may consist of writers, teachers, librarians, community members or teen representatives.
- ◆ Collaborative pieces are accepted, however, only a single prize will be awarded.
- ◆ **Deadline for Submitting Entries is Monday, July 17th @ 9pm**
- ◆ Submit entries to the Information Desk or to:  
Hannah Kane  
West Bend Community Memorial Library  
630 Poplar Street  
West Bend, WI 53095  
hkane@west-bendlibrary.org (your email must include an attached entry form)

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## ENTRY FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (next fall) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

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MONDAY, JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> @ 9PM**

**I certify that this writing entry is original and it represents my own work. I understand that by submitting this entry I am giving the library permission to display, distribute, and/or publish my work. I have read and understand the rules of the Writing Contest.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**I give permission for the above named minor to participate in the Writing Contest. I have read and understand the rules of the contest.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Parent/Guardian Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

For Library Use:

Submission Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_