

# WORDS WRITING PROJECT

Dear Secondary Teachers and Administrators,

We are pleased to launch the annual Burnaby Writing Contest and this year's **WORDS** publication. The contest recognizes the best efforts of Burnaby's student writers, and is open to students in all grades. All schools are encouraged to participate.

## Details

- All entries must be **original work** from students currently enrolled at your school.
- All submissions **must have been written during the current (2019- 2020) school year**. Noteworthy writing from any subject area will be considered.
- All entries must be suitable for general audience publication. Students may be asked to revise content for audience considerations before being published.
- Prose entries are **limited to 500 words** in length.
- Each school is asked to undertake a school-based pre-screening process before submissions are made for district-wide judging. A school-based committee should decide on which and how many entries from each category to submit. Please refer to the grade appropriate **BC Performance Standards for Writing** and keep in mind that **the focus is on excellence**.
- The total number of entries a school may submit **must not exceed five per cent of the school's total student population**.
- Submissions which have been previously published **are not eligible**.
- All entries should be typed, and must be thoroughly proofread and submitted in publishable form. Entries must be emailed to [words@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:words@burnabyschools.ca).

- A **completed official cover sheet** (attached) must be included with all submissions.
- Students are required to sign the cover sheet which confirms that:
  - ✓ it is their original work
  - ✓ they are aware it is being submitted as a contest entry and
  - ✓ it may be published by the school district in **WORDS**.
- Only those chosen as finalists will have their work included in the **WORDS** publication.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Tanis Anderson, Literacy Program Consultant.

We look forward to another round of inspired and inspiring writing!

# 2019/20 Burnaby Writing Contest Cover Sheet

To be completed and emailed with the entry, as one document.

Please email all entries to  
[words@burnabyschools.ca](mailto:words@burnabyschools.ca) no later than  
**Friday, February 14, 2020.**

IDENTIFICATION #

(leave this space

Student's name (first and last): \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle the category:**

Grade 8 Poetry	Grade 8 Prose	Grade 8 Poetry French	Grade 8 Prose French
Grade 9-10 Poetry	Grade 9-10 Prose	Grade 9-10 Poetry French	Grade 9-10 Prose French
Grade 11-12 Poetry	Grade 11-12 Prose	Grade 11-12 Poetry French	Grade 11-12 Prose French

**Title of Work:**

By signing below I do verify that the work submitted is wholly my own, was developed without the assistance of others, and has not been previously published. It may be used for promotional purposes by the Burnaby School District.

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_