

Creative Writing Rule Infraction Checklist 2020-2021

Please check each infraction, deduct 5 points for each infraction, and attach this form to the judging sheets to be returned to your Coordinator.

Infractions that disqualify the entry from advancing to State are noted in red.

Participant Name _____ Category _____

GENERAL - applies to all categories

- Entry does not include the author's name, grade level, entry category, school's name (or "Homeschooler"), address, and Region number on the back of the final page
- Paper used is colored, has lines, or is not 8.5"x11" size
- Entry is not typed with a minimum 1" margin all four sides
- Non-approved font is used (see manual for approved fonts)
- Colored text is used excessively
- A Bible version other than KJV or NKJV is used
- Final size (with mounting if permitted) is more than 10"x12"
- Entry is framed
- No statement of originality (cannot advance to State)**
- Length is too long or short as per the manual requirement (cannot advance to State)**
- Student received assistance on entry (cannot advance to State)**

SHORT STORY

- Font size used is not 12-point size or bold/italics were used
- Justification is not left justified
- Line spacing is not double-spaced
- Word count was not included at the end of the piece
- Entry is mounted (not permitted)

ELEMENTARY / MIDDLE SCHOOL ESSAY

- Font size used is not 12-point size or bold/italics were used
- Justification is not left justified
- Line spacing is not double-spaced
- Word count was not included at the end of the piece
- Entry is mounted (not permitted)

TWO WORD POEM, SENSE POEM, CINQUAIN, ELEMENTARY / MIDDLE SCHOOL POETRY and SCRIPTURE POEM

- Does not follow the specific construction of the category as listed in the manual

HAIKU

- Topic does not pertain to nature
- Illustration pertaining to nature is not used
- Does not follow the specific construction of a Haiku as listed in the manual