



2022-2023 GCRA Young Author Project

The theme for the 2022-2023 Young Authors' Project is **Your Voice Matters: Celebrating EVERY Reader's Story**. Young Authors are encouraged to write about who they are and what they stand for, believe in, or want others to understand about their heritage, culture, and life experiences. Young Authors may write about a small moment that has caused a shift or impact on who they are or who they hope to become. Authors may write prose or poetry, fiction or nonfiction. Authors may write in their first language and submit along with an English translation.

All entries must follow the guidelines below and be submitted as an email attachment to:

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*Please submit as a Word or Google Docs document and not as a PDF

DEADLINE for school level submission is October 17, 2022

GUIDELINES

- All entries must be original creations.
- Only 1 writing entry per author may be submitted. (*NOTE: Authors may also choose to submit for the art contest, but again, may only submit one piece of writing and one piece of art, total).
- Authors may write in their first language and submit along with an English translation.

FORMAT

All entries should:

- Use 10 point, "Times New Roman" font, single spaced, for the body of the piece.
- Include an original title, typed in bold, 12 point type, with only the first letter of each major word in the title capitalized.
- Include author information after the body of the piece. Skip two lines and then center the following information in 10 point:
Author's First and Last Name, Grade ____ (numerical) or Forever Young
Teacher: Name (Teacher's First and Last Name)
Weddington Hills Elementary
GCRA

ENTRY LENGTH LIMITS:

Grades Pre-K-1: 200 WORDS

Grades 2-5: 300 WORDS

Grades 6-8: 400 WORDS

Grades 9-12 and Forever Young: 500 WORDS