THE THEATER AND POETRY PROJECT:  
A LANGUAGE ARTS ENRICHMENT PARTNERSHIP  

2012 PATERNSON STUDENT POETRY CONTEST

Please read carefully
We are eagerly awaiting your post office-mailed entries and we will notify you if you have won. At that point the winning poem must be re-submitted via e-mail as a Word attachment in order to be published in the anthology. New printing technology makes this necessary. No exceptions! Therefore each student should keep a copy of his/her poem because we cannot return any entries. (Please do not e-mail the initial entries. They must be sent as hard copies with the signed permissions on the same page as the poem)

Topic: Dinnertime at Our Home, or any other topic of your choice
Style: The poem may be written in any style, not to exceed two pages.
Give specific details, using words to paint a picture of what you do, see, and feel.

Format: Incorrect or incomplete entries will be rejected automatically. We hate to do that, so please follow directions. The volume of entries makes this necessary.
A) Typewritten on 8 1/2” x 11” plain white paper
B) No fancy fonts
C) In upper right hand corner, you must type: Writer’s name and home address
Grade, school, and teacher’s name

Permission: Below each poem you enter, copy the following statement and parent or guardian must sign it. (Poems cannot be published without this signed statement on the page; do not attach this flyer):

I permit the reproduction of this poem in print, on the internet, or in any other media. I understand that students attending the Award Ceremony may be televised and/or photographed, and that these recordings and photographs may be broadcast or reproduced without additional permission from me, the undersigned.
Date ______________ Signature of parent/guardian _______________________

Postmark deadline: January 23, 2012

Please mail to: Susan Amsterdam, Coordinator
Paterson Student Poetry Contest
Passaic County Community College
One College Boulevard
Paterson, NJ 07505-1179

awards: Winning entries in each category (Grades 1-4, 5-8, and 9-12) will be published in an anthology
(1) First Prize $50
(2) Second Prize $25
(3) Honorable Mention Certificate