



## ART ENTRY REQUIREMENTS GRADES 9-12

13 winning artwork entries will be featured in the 2027 LifeWorks Ohio calendar.

TO VIEW RECENT WINNING ARTWORK GO TO:  
[www.lifeworks ohio.org](http://www.lifeworks ohio.org)

CLICK ON THE ART, ESSAY & POETRY CONTEST TAB  
SCROLL DOWN TO "RECENT CALENDAR ARTWORK"

HAND-DRAWN ART SIZE: 8.5 x 11, landscape orientation  
MUST be original; no tracing.

Dark or vivid colors are preferred; pastels may fade during printing.

DIGITAL ART SIZE: 8.5 x 11, landscape orientation  
Must be original work, with no copyright.  
Students may use public domain/free sites.

THIS BIBLE VERSE AND CITATION MUST APPEAR  
WITHIN THE ARTWORK; PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE  
OTHER BIBLE VERSES:

**"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another . . ." 1 Peter 4:10**

Students **MUST** depict PEOPLE using their talents and abilities (gifts from God) to serve one or more of these:

- \* Expectant mother and preborn child
- \* Child waiting to be adopted or parents who are adopting a child
- \* People who are physically or mentally challenged
  - \* People who are chronically or terminally ill



## ESSAY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS GRADES 9-12

THIS BIBLE VERSE AND CITATION MUST APPEAR AS THE TITLE OF THE ESSAY AND ITS THEME:

**"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another . . ." 1 Peter 4:10**

550-600 words Correct spelling and punctuation, please.  
If you mention facts, science, or statistics in your essay, please indicate the source, in parentheses, after the statement.

PLEASE AVOID WEBSITES WHICH PROMOTE 'PRO-CHOICE,' 'REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS,' 'MEDICAL AID IN DYING,' 'DEATH WITH DIGNITY,' ETC. PLEASE CALL US, AND WE WILL BE HAPPY TO REVIEW ANY WEBSITE'S CONTENT WITH YOU.

STUDENTS MAY WRITE ABOUT ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING LIFE ISSUES AND THE PEOPLE INVOLVED. ACTUAL PERSONS (NOT FICTIONAL) MAY BE MENTIONED IN THEIR ESSAY.

STUDENTS **MUST** DISCUSS THE MORALITY OF THE LIFE ISSUE AND HOW THEY CAN BEST USE THEIR "GIFTS" - TALENTS AND ABILITIES—TO SERVE THOSE AFFECTED.

- Abortion—Mothers in unexpected pregnancies
- Embryonic stem cell research—Human embryos  
Adult stem cell research with its successful treatments
- Abortion—Adoptive children and their parents
- \* Assisted suicide—The physically or mentally challenged
  - \* Euthanasia—The terminally or chronically ill



## POETRY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS GRADES 9-12

THIS BIBLE VERSE AND CITATION MUST APPEAR AS  
THE TITLE OF THE POEM. PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE  
OTHER BIBLE VERSES:

**“As each one has received a gift, use it  
to serve one another ...”**

**1 Peter 4:10**

Poem should be 16-20 lines; students may choose  
their poetry style.

Students **MUST** write about one or more of the  
people listed below and may mention actual  
persons (not fictional) who have inspired them.

Students **MUST** recognize the value of these  
people, and how to use their “gifts” (abilities and  
talents) to serve their needs:

- \* A mother in an unexpected pregnancy and her preborn child
- \* Child waiting to be adopted and those who adopt children
- \* People who are physically or mentally challenged
- \* People who are terminally or chronically ill



Educating the Next Generation with the Truth About Life

# LifeWorks Ohio 2026 “Respect Life” Art, Essay & Poetry Contest

**GRADES 9-12 POSTMARK DEADLINE IS  
SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026**

Cash Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> Place-\$100 2<sup>nd</sup> Place-\$75 3<sup>rd</sup> Place-\$50  
Honorable Mention-\$25

There may be multiple winners in each “place.”

STUDENTS MAY SUBMIT ENTRIES FOR MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY.

QUESTIONS: 216-661-6616

**\* PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF YOUR ENTRY,  
OR SAVE IT ON YOUR COMPUTER. \***

**ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR PLAGIARISM  
(COPYING FROM ANY SOURCE).**

These details **MUST** be included on the BACK OF ARTWORK  
and on the FRONT OF ESSAY OR POEM. PLEASE PRINT NEATLY:

Student name & grade      School name & address

Teacher's and Principal's names and e-mails

Home School parent's name, phone, and e-mail

Essay: Word Count      Poetry: Line Count

Mail entries to: LifeWorks Ohio 4429 State Road, Suite 23  
Cleveland, OH 44109

If hand-delivering entries, please phone 216-661-6616 in advance.

All entries become the property of LifeWorks Ohio and may be used in promotional materials, on the website, etc. Contest judging criteria and results are confidential.