

Charles Mack Elementary School Presents:

## Sixth Annual



Choose, practice, compete!

### Here is how it works:

1. Choose or write a poem, song lyrics, or speech that is *significant and meaningful* to you.
2. Practice and memorize your piece.
3. Perform for your classmates the week of Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> for a chance to be in the semi-finals.
4. The semi-finals competition will be held the week of February 20<sup>th</sup>.
5. Poetry Slam finals competition will be held on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, on the blacktop in front of the school.
6. Winners will be announced on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

There will be 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners for the Primary and Intermediate grades. Winners receive the glory and a very special trophy!

### Poetry Resources for Teachers:

<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/learn/children>

<https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poems/famous/children/>

<https://www.poets.org/poetsorg/text/poems-kids>

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/type/poetry.htm>

<https://100.best-poems.net/100-best-kids-and-children-poems.html>

<http://www.writersdigest.com/whats-new/poems-for-kids>

<https://www.mamalisa.com/>

<https://www.poetrytranslation.org/poems>

## Poetry Slam Rules:

1. Participant can perform any **appropriate** poem, song lyrics, or speech written by another author. An original written work can also be performed.
2. The chosen performance piece should be at least 30 seconds in length but no longer than 2 minutes.
3. Chosen piece is required to be memorized.
4. Charles Mack Poetry Slam is open to all students in preschool through the sixth grade.
5. The title and author of the piece being performed should be stated at the beginning of the performance.
6. **All Poetry Slam readings will be individual performances.** No team performances. If there is a group of students or a class wanting to perform together, please contact Mrs. Adversalo. Some group performances may be allowed but they will not be in the running for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place.
7. If a participant qualifies for the semi-finals or finals, he/she is expected to dress nicely for the performance.

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### Copy of Poetry Slam Performance Rubric

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Piece: \_\_\_\_\_

Judging Criteria	Almost 1	Average 2	Good 3	Excellent 4	Outstanding 5
Degree of Difficulty					
Memorization					
Voice and Articulation					
Overall Performance					

Judge's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

Total: \_\_\_\_\_ (maximum of 20 points)

