



**Catholic Daughters of the Americas
2019 National Education Contest
Sponsored by Court:
Our Lady of Victory #1348**

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Our Lady of Victory is proud to sponsor the CDA 2017 National Education Contest. The contest theme encourages lively imagination and freedom of thought when student application and talent go hand in hand. The contest enables students to compete and strive for awards following certain fixed rules. Students may participate in the categories of essay, art and computer art. All entries in all categories must reflect one of the themes. There may be an excellent Art or Music entry, but if it does not identify with the theme, it will not be a winner. All entries are to be the original imagination of the participant. He/she should not look at a picture, statue, building, etc. and draw from what he/she sees. A participant needs to create an original idea for the entry. Additional forms can be found: <http://www.catholicdaughters.org/>

THEME/DIVISIONS/CATEGORIES/RULES

**THEMES: “Here I am Lord, I have come to do Your Will” and
“Doing my Best to do Good”**

DIVISIONS:

Division 1	Grades 4-5	Essay, Art, Computer Art, Poetry
Division 2	Grades 6 – 8	Essay, Art, Computer Art, Poetry, Photography, Music
Division 3	Grades 9 – 12	Essay, Art, Computer Art, Poetry, Music, Photography
Division 4	CDA Members	Art, Computer Art, Poetry, Photography

CATEGORIES: Essay, Art, Computer Art, Poetry, Music and Photography

RULES: All entries must be of contestant’s own imagination and creation

ESSAY: Typed only, not to exceed 500 words

ART: SIZE: 8 1/2” x 11 or 8 x 12”, **No Lettering** (your art carries the message.) How theme is carried out in Art will be part of the judging, in addition to artistic talent.

MEDIUM: Crayon, markers, ink, paints (water color, acrylic, oil), charcoal, pencil (black or colored), pastels (chalk).

COMPUTER ART: SIZE: 8 1/2” x 11 or 8 x 12”, **No Lettering.** Art must be artist’s own creation and should fill the majority of the page. NO clip art or images imported from web sites.

MUSIC: Lyrics and notes written on a music score (melody, harmony, and accompaniment, all of which must be notated accurately), **must be contestant's own creation.** A tape recording or CD (no Mp3, MIDI, or other electronic formats allowed) of the performance must accompany the entry. (If you are using a tape format, please make sure to punch out the tabs on the tape to prevent accidental erasure). While the composition must be the contestant's own creation, the performer of the composition does not need to be the composer. No DVDs.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Size 8" X 10" picture depicting the theme. Picture must have been taken by contestant. May not be a computer downloaded image or a picture of a picture. Can be color or black and white. No lettering is allowed. Cannot be a collage.

GENERAL RULES

- 1) Contestants may enter a Category only once, but may submit entries in multiple categories. Contestants must be sponsored by a local Catholic Daughters Court.
- 2) Entries on other themes or not conforming to the rules will be disqualified .
- 3) Entries will not be returned. All contest material becomes the property of the National Court with the right to display/and or publish any or all material.
- 4) Decisions of the judges will be final. Judges reserve the right to make no award in a Division or Category. Commercial entries will be disqualified.
- 5) Each entry must be accompanied by a 2019 Entry Form properly signed and completed. Names must be legible. Forms are to be glued or taped to back of entry.
- 6) Plagiarism is grounds for disqualification from contest.

DEADLINE: Contest Deadline is **February 15, 2019.** Send your entry, complete with **2019 Entry Form** to the Local Court Contest Chairperson, Mary Ann VandeBrake. If mailed, entries must be postmarked by February 15, 2019. Entries maybe dropped off at the Parish Office.

Entry form is attached – please make copies as needed.

Deliver to St. Paul's Parish Office Or Mail to:

Mary Ann VandeBrake
3520 Wheeler Cir
Nampa, ID 83686

AWARDS: The one first place winning entry for each category will be forwarded to the State Contest Chairperson and the winning entries at the State level will be forwarded to the National Education Contest Chairperson.

Awards at the local level for each Category are:

FIRST: \$30.00

SECOND: \$20.00

THIRD: \$10.00

Winning entry awards at the state level will be determined by the State Court.

National Prizes for each Division are:

FIRST: \$100.00

SECOND : \$50.00

THIRD: \$25.00