

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

COMPETITION LAUNCH	16TH JANUARY 2017
OUTREACH TO SCHOOLS	JANUARY - APRIL 2017
SUBMISSION DEADLINE	24TH MARCH 2017
JUDGING - WRITTEN ENTRIES	29TH - 31ST MARCH 2017
FINALS/PRIZE GIVING	10TH APRIL 2017



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Secondary Schools' Spoken Word Competition 2017

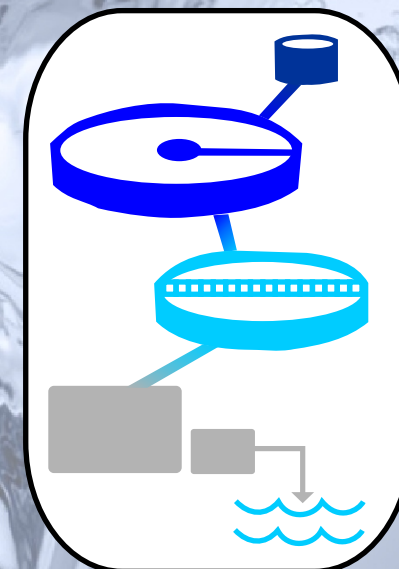
January 2017 to April 2017

PLEASE NOTE

Once the competition is closed the winner will be declared and prizes will be distributed to the winning school.

If any school or student is found by WASA to be in breach of the rules and regulations herein stated, the student and /or school will be disqualified.

The decision of WASA with regard to interpretation of rules and regulations will be final and binding. In addition WASA reserves the right to change these rules and regulations at their sole discretion should this become necessary.



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Rules & Guidelines

INTRODUCTION

The Secondary Schools Wastewater Poem / Spoken Word Competition will be held during the period January 2017 to April 2017.

OBJECTIVE

- ◆ To promote education amongst the primary school population and by extension the wider Impacted community.
- ◆ To increase awareness among the national community and the impacted communities of the benefits of the projects to the environment.
- ◆ To encourage the inhabitants of the impacted communities to connect to the new systems.

INFORMATION

- ◆ An Information Booklet will be provided to all participating schools via www.wasa.gov.tt and Facebook page.

ELIGIBILITY

- ◆ The competition will begin on 16th January, 2017
- ◆ Students of **ALL secondary schools in the San Fernando and Malabar Area** are eligible to participate.
- ◆ Participants must be currently registered at a school San Fernando and Malabar Catchment areas in Trinidad
- ◆ One entry per person will be accepted.
- ◆ Participants must be between the ages of 13 to 15 to qualify.
- ◆ All poems / spoken word entries must be accompanied by a completed entry form.

SUBMISSIONS

- ◆ All poems / spoken word pieces must be submitted on or before the appointed deadline to the Water

and Sewerage Authority's Public Education Centre, Farm Road, St. Joseph.

- ◆ The deadline for submissions of entries is 4:00 pm on Friday 24th March, 2017. ***No submissions will be accepted for any reason after the deadline.***
- ◆ The judging will take place at the Public Education Centre, Farm Road, St. Joseph from 29th to 31st March, 2017.

MEDIUM

- ◆ Create a poem or a spoken word piece that reflects the theme: **“Wastewater Treatment and my Environment”**;
- ◆ Entries must be entirely the work of the student and not that of any work published or performed publicly prior to the competition;
- ◆ Poems or Spoken word pieces can be written in any style;
- ◆ Entries must be written in standard English and must not exceed 500 words;
- ◆ No corrections or alterations will be allowed after the submission of entries;
- ◆ All entries must be submitted in typed format, in black 12 point font size, Times New Roman font type and printed on 8 ½ x 11 paper;
- ◆ All entries **MUST** have a heading that contains the student's name, school and title of the piece;
- ◆ Entries may be submitted along with an audio recording on CD, of the student performing the piece.
- ◆ The winners will be announced at the prize-giving ceremony on 10th April, 2017.

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES & JUDGING

- ◆ All submissions will be evaluated by a panel of judges appointed by the Water and Sewerage Authority

◆ All entries become the property of the Water and Sewerage Authority.

◆ The Students with the top twelve (12) entries will be required to perform their pieces at the finals on 10th April, 2017.

◆ Following their performances, a panel of judges appointed by WASA will determine the winners, who will be presented with their prizes immediately

◆ Parents / Legal Guardian's will be required to sign a release allowing the Authority to use or reproduce the entrant name and photograph for promotional purposes in the Authority's publications, website or any other medium that the Authority deems fit.

◆ Poems / Spoken Word entries will be awarded points in the following categories:

Relevance to the theme : 40 points

Organization - **structure of how thoughts are presented** : 20points

Writing style – **use of rhyme, drama, storytelling** : 20 points

Language – **use of colourful and descriptive language** : 10 points

Technical skills – **no grammatical errors, misspelled words or typos** : 10 points

Total : **100 pts**

PRIZES

◆ First Place

Individual: Trophy, Tablet & Book Voucher worth \$2,000.00TT

School: Trophy; Multi-Media & Laptop

◆ Second Place

Individual: Trophy, Book Voucher worth \$1,500.00TT & A Movietowne Day Pass for four persons

◆ Third Place

Individual: Trophy, Book Voucher worth \$1,000.00TT

All participants

Certificate of Participation and WASA memorabilia

The Judges' Decision Is Final.