

Here is a list of upcoming contests and scholarship opportunities!

February 1

Davidson Fellows Awards: Students ages 17 and under submit a significant piece of work in science, technology, mathematics, literature, music, philosophy, or "outside the box." www.davidsongifted.org/fellows

Elizabeth Bishop Prizes in Verse, Fiction, and Playwriting: students in grades 8-11 submit a piece of writing. <http://thebluepencil.net/annual-elizabeth-bishop-prizes>

Kids Philosophy Slam: Students write, create poetry, music, or artwork about their personal experiences regarding a philosophical question posed each year (2013: Which is more powerful - love or hate?) www.philosophyslam.org

National Peace Essay Contest: Through their contest coordinator, students in grades 9-12 submit a 1,500-word essay in response to the year's topic (2012-13: Gender, War and Peacebuilding). www.usip.org/npec

Quill and Scroll International Writing and Photo Contest: High schools may submit four entries in each of 12 categories. <http://quillandscroll.org/contests/writing-photo-contest>

Tests of Engineering, Aptitude, math, and Science (TEAMS): Middle and upper school students participate in this themed problem-solving competition (2013: Engineering a Secure Cyberspace) www.tsaweb.org/TEAMS_UNITE

February 3

David S. Barr awards: High school students submit work that has been published or broadcast that helped to right a wrong, correct an injustice, or prompt justice and fairness. www.newsguild.org/time-start-preparing-broun-barr-entries

February 4

Christopher Columbus Awards for Community Innovation: Teams of students in grades 6-8 and an appointed coach use science and technology to solve real-world problems. www.christophercolumbusawards.com

Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling: Teams of high school students may participate in this online contest. www.comap.com/undergraduate/contests/icm/index.html

February 15

AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship: Students in grade 12 write a 1,200-1,500 word essay about how Alzheimer's disease has affected their lives. www.afateens.org/about_new

March 1

Manningham Student Poetry Awards: students in grades 6-12 submit original works of poetry. www.nfsps.com/student_awards.htm

Young Naturalist Awards: students in grades 7-12 undertake explorations in biology, astronomy, or earth science, and write an essay on their findings (word count varies by grade) www.amnh.org/yna

March 5

Physics Bowl: Schools register to administer this 45-minute exam to students in grades 9-12. www.aapt.org/programs/contests/physicsbowl.cfm

March 7

National Federation of Press Women High School Communications Contest: Students in grades 9-12 submit work in one of 12 categories. State deadlines vary. www.nfpw.org/competitions.cfm

March 11

USA Computer Olympiad: The USACO holds six Internet contests from October through March. Students may register online up to and including the first day of each contest. www.usaco.org

March 15

The Claremont Review: writers ages 13-19 may submit poetry, short plays, and short stories to this biannual magazine. www.theclaremontreview.cas

March 19

Rube Goldberg International Online Middle School Contest: Teams of students ages 11-14 design and build a machine and submit a video demonstration. <http://rubegoldberg.com>

West Point Bridge Design Challenge: Students ages 13 through grade 12 are eligible for prizes, but anyone can enter this online competition. <http://bridgecontest.usma.edu>

March 22

NewsCurrents Student Editorial Cartoon Contest: Students in elementary through high school submit original cartoons on any subject of national or international interest. www.newscurrents.com/intro/edcartoons/carcon2.html

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