

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

(Each entry must have a completed entry form.)

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**School Coordinator** \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**County/District** \_\_\_\_\_

County Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**State Coordinator** \_\_\_\_\_

State Division \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

### Recognition and Awards

National awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners in the six divisions in both the Poetry and the Poster Contests. Winners will be announced in April 2005 and posted on the NCDA website at [www.ncda.org](http://www.ncda.org). Certificates of participation will be given to all national entries. State divisions will determine their own prizes. County/District and building awards are made at the discretion of the local coordinators.

### Note:

All national entries become the property of the National Career Development Association and will not be returned. The association reserves the right to use the poems and posters to focus attention on activities and promote Career Development Month goals.

### National Career Development Month Chair:

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## NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

# 39<sup>th</sup> Annual National Career Development Month November 2004

**Celebrate your favorite career  
by entering the  
39th Annual NCDA Career Development  
Poetry and Poster Contests:**

**NATIONAL THEME:**  
*My Career: Imagine the Possibilities!*

*Please participate in the  
National Career Development Month  
by planning the following celebrations:*

**National Career Development Week**  
November 15 – 19, 2004

This week is designed to highlight the importance of life-long career development and the personal empowerment of all people. Events and activities should be planned to help examine lives, careers, and the alternatives available to increase everyone's personal success and happiness.

**National Career Development Day**  
November 17, 2004



**Eligibility:** Every adult and student enrolled in public, private, and parochial schools in states with NCDA state divisions are eligible. A complete list of state divisions is available on the NCDA website at [www.ncda.org](http://www.ncda.org). Contest division areas include:

Primary . . . . .	Grades K – 2
Intermediate . . . .	Grades 3 – 5
Middle . . . . .	Grades 6 - 8
Senior . . . . .	Grades 9 - 12
Adult Student . . .	18 and older enrolled in school
Open Adult . . . . .	18 and older not enrolled in school (student teachers, parents, and professionals, etc.)

*Each entry should celebrate and inspire career development with a positive tone.*

## Requirements for Poems

**Poetic Form:** Use of any acceptable poetic form (i.e. cinquain, free verse, diamante, haiku, limerick, metered, rhyming, blank verse).

**Size:** Submit each poem on a single sheet of paper 8.5" X 11" in 12 point font.

## Requirements for Posters

**Lettering:** Simple bold lettering is preferred. Captions are to be used to convey the message, attract attention, and to achieve goals of clarity, vigor and originality. All lettering will be considered part of the design.

**Media:** Ink, pencil, collage, poster paints, magic marker, acrylic, photography, computer-generated graphics, oil, cut and pasted paper.

**Size:** Each poster must be created in 8.5" by 11" format, including matte, to be eligible.

## Contest Deadlines:

### Building/School Contest by November 17, 2004

First, second, and third place winners in the Building/School Contest should be sent to the County/District Contest.

### County/District Contest by December 6, 2004

First, second, and third place winners in the County/District Contest should be sent to the State Contest.

### State Contest by January 21, 2005

First, second, and third place winners in the State Contest should be sent to the National Contest.

The state chair will notify all state coordinators and award winners to have their winning entries delivered to the National Chair by January 21, 2005. State coordinators are responsible for coordinating prizes, certificates, and celebration for their state winners. National awards will be given to the first, second, and third place winners in the six divisions in both the Poetry and Poster Contests.

*National Results will be posted on the NCDA Website by April 15, 2005.*

### Send to:

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## Judging Process

**Teams:** Each judging team will consist of educators including a member of the language arts and/or arts department, parents, and a representative from business/industry in the community. Selection of judges is left to the discretion of the contest coordinators.

**Criteria:** Judging will be based on originality, creativity, and development of the national theme. Poems will be evaluated on appropriate form, execution, spelling, and grammar. Poster evaluation will focus on the appropriate use of media, lettering, and basic principals of art.

## State Awards

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## National Awards

National judges of the Poetry and Poster Contests will prepare and send a list of all national winners to NCDA Headquarters and the National Chair by April 15, 2005. The winners will be announced on the NCDA website at [www.ncda.org](http://www.ncda.org) by April 2005.

The National Chair, in coordination with the NCDA Headquarter Office, will prepare the national awards.