The **Southwest Georgia** Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS) is sponsoring an illustrated poem contest for students in Kindergarten - 12th grade.

**Contest Deadline:** Friday April 10th, 2015

**Prizes:** $50 for first place on each of the four categories (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12)

**Contact:** Dr. Ligia Focsan, alfocsan@valdosta.edu, (229) 333-5798

**More information:** [http://sowega.sites.acs.org](http://sowega.sites.acs.org) and in the Facebook page: *Science Saturday Chemistry at VSU*

Send poems with REQUIRED entry form to: Dr. Ligia Focsan, Chemistry, Valdosta State University
1500 N Patterson St, Valdosta, GA 31698

Winners of the **Southwest Georgia** illustrated poem contest will advance to the ACS National Illustrated Poem Contest!  See: [www.acs.org/CCED](http://www.acs.org/CCED) to find images of past-winner entries.

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**Chemists Celebrate Earth Day**

**2015 Illustrated Poem Contest**

Write and illustrate a poem using the CCED theme, "**Climate Science—More Than Just a Weather Report!**". Your poem must be **no more** than 40 words, and in the following styles to be considered:

- **Haiku**
- **Limerick**
- **Ode**
- **ABC Poem**
- **Free Verse**
- **End Rhyme**
- **Blank Verse**

**Possible topics related to water and chemistry include:**

- Seasons and weather
- Particulate matter
- Greenhouse Gases
- Ultraviolet light
- Atmospheric changes
- Any other relevant topics

**Entries will be judged based upon:**

- Relevance to and incorporation of the theme
- Word choice and imagery
- Colorful artwork

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**Contest Rules:**

- Poems must conform to a particular style. No poem may be longer than 40 words.
- The topic of the poem and the illustration must be related to the CCED 2015 theme, "**Climate Science—More Than Just a Weather Report!**".
- All entries must be original works without aid from others.
- Each poem must be submitted and illustrated on an unlined sheet of paper (of any type) not larger than 11” x 14” . The illustration must be created by hand using crayons, watercolors, other types of paint, colored pencils or markers. The text of the poem should be easy to read and may be printed with a computer, before the hand-drawn illustration is added, or the poem may be written on lined paper which is cut out and pasted onto the unlined paper with the illustration.
- Only one entry per student will be accepted.
- All entries must include an entry form.
- All illustrated poems and/or digital representations of the poems become the property of the American Chemical Society.
- Acceptance of prizes constitutes consent to use winners’ names, likenesses and entries for editorial, advertising and publicity purposes.
ILLUSTRATED POEM CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Please complete the form and attach it to the back of the poems. All fields are required. Incomplete forms will invalidate the entry. The receipt deadline for the Southwest Georgia Contest is Friday, April 10th, 2015.

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Judging Category

| K-2nd | 3rd -5th | 6th - 8th | 9th - 12th |

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