



## CCLE 2023 PENMANSHIP & CALLIGRAPHY CONTEST

Open to students ages 3 to 18 years old who attend a CCLE accredited school or whose parent is a CCLE member

Deadline for submission: May 15, 2023

Categories of penmanship & calligraphy		Ages <sup>1</sup>
Manuscript (print)	Early Grammar	4-5
Manuscript (print)	Grammar	6-7
Cursive		6-7
Cursive		8-9
Calligraphy (lettering only, black only)	Rhetoric	10-18
Calligraphy (illuminated, color)		10-18

### Scripture Verse

*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matthew 6:33*

MANUSCRIPT & CURSIVE EVALUATION CRITERIA: SEE SCALES

- legibility
- neatness
- shape/slant/connections
- spacing
- size

CALLIGRAPHY EVALUATION CRITERIA: SEE SCALES

- legibility of lettering style & neatness
- consistency of letter formations
- spacing & size
- aesthetic appearance
- creativity of illumination

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<sup>1</sup> For greater challenge any student may compete in a category higher than his chronological age. Students with *professional* written documentation of clinically diagnosed special needs may enter contests at a level lower than chronological age, *subject to prior approval by the CCLE*. Contact the Executive Director at [executive.director@ccle.org](mailto:executive.director@ccle.org) for this opportunity.

## CONSIDERATIONS/DIRECTIONS

1. Print/Manuscript contestants will use #2 pencil and write on lined paper. Cursive contestants will use black pen and write on lined paper. Calligraphy Lettering contestants will use black color only and unlined paper. Calligraphy Illumination contestants will use their choice of colors and unlined paper.
2. Students will not trace or follow projections on the submission paper in any way. [Teachers may utilize projections on a chalkboard or whiteboard in penmanship instruction.] The submission must be entirely the student's handwriting on one side of paper only.
3. Students 6 and 7 years old may only enter one penmanship contest (either manuscript or cursive).
4. Students 10 to 18 years old may enter only one calligraphy division (lettering only or illuminated calligraphy). The calligraphy entry dimensions must be 24 inches or smaller and must be scan-able.
5. Any misspelling automatically disqualifies the entry.

## PROCESS

1. The classroom/home school teacher will explain the contest directions to the students. The student's first and last name and age should be in the upper right corner of the penmanship entry. The classroom/homeschool teacher completes the penmanship submission page by type of penmanship, student name, and age.
2. The classroom/home school teacher scans each penmanship submission as an electronic pdf. Please review the pdf to verify that the entry is legible and visible; The entry must be clearly legible in the pdf to be evaluated. Please identify the pdf submissions according to the following pattern:

*Penmanship, print, age, last name, first name, school, town*  
*Penmanship, cursive, age, last name, first name, school, town*  
*Calligraphy, black lettering, last name, first name, school, town*  
*Calligraphy, illuminated, last name, first name, school, town*

The classroom/home school teacher uploads the submissions to a file folder on google drive (name file with school, town) and shares permission to view and edit with executive.director@cclle.org and webmaster@cclle.org. The teacher then emails the shareable link and submission form to [executive.director@cclle.org](mailto:executive.director@cclle.org) and webmaster@cclle.org.

3. The penmanship and calligraphy submission pages and the entries must be scanned and the shareable links submitted electronically by midnight of the contest deadline, May 15, 2023. Please do not delete the file from your computer until after July 1<sup>st</sup> for judging purposes.

### PRIZES

When all PJs have completed the evaluations, they will have a telephone or electronic discussion to compare scores and identify winners. Winners will be announced by July 1, 2023.

Manuscript and cursive penmanship prizes consist of the following:

GRAND PRIZE: \$100 for the scholar and \$50 for the teacher

RUNNER-UP: \$50 for the scholar and \$50 for the teacher

Calligraphy prizes consist of the following:

GRAND PRIZE: \$200 for the scholar and \$50 for the teacher

RUNNER-UP: \$100 for the scholar and \$50 for the teacher

All penmanship and calligraphy entries may be published or displayed in CCLE materials or activities with author attribution.

PENMANSHIP/CALLIGRAPHY SUBMISSION PAGE

Submit to: [executive.director@cclle.org](mailto:executive.director@cclle.org)

Teacher or School: Please type or print clearly all names (complete names: first and last) and information.

School/Home school:

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Teacher/Parent:

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School address:

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Teacher/Parent email address:

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Mailing address:

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List the entry files according to the following:

- Penmanship, print, age, last name, first name, school, town*
- Penmanship, cursive, age, last name, first name, school, town*
- Calligraphy, black lettering, last name, first name, school, town*
- Calligraphy, illuminated, last name, first name, school, town*

Entry File pdf

