

GENERAL RULES IPY WRITING COMPETITION

1. Each writing entry must be submitted separately and accompanied by an Entry Form signed by: (1) the student, (2) the teacher, and (3) the parent. The Official Entry Form is found at www.alaskastatewritingconsortium.org and may be reproduced as needed.
2. Incomplete entry forms will be eliminated from consideration.
3. Writing may be submitted either electronically at aswc@acsalaska.net; however, a signed entry form must be mailed with each entry to:

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4. **Each writing entry must be original and prepared by the student.** The writing entry should be either typed or neatly handwritten on 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper. Students should use only one side of the paper. Writing entries are limited to five pages. **If typed**, entries must be **double spaced, with a minimum of a 12 point font.** Dictated stories will not be accepted.
5. Any type of writing genre will be allowed. (e.g. poetry, digital stories, fiction, research, non-fiction)
6. Writing entries must address at least one of the six IPY topics: Change, Connections, Discovery, Observation, People, and/or Research.
7. Writing entries submitted will not be returned. Please make copies prior to submitting student works. Bound books **can not** be submitted.
8. Writing and entry forms are due to the Alaska State Writing Consortium no later than 4 p.m. on May 31, 2008, via the email link or US mail.
9. Writing entries that meet the requirements above will be reviewed by a panel of educators prior to public posting. All participants can request a copy of their scores 30 days after the deadline.
10. All entries must be **original, unassisted** student work.
11. In order to publish IPY Writing Competition winners on the Polar Power web page and by other educational/professional organizations, it is **required** that parents sign their name on the Entry Form.