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Dear Parents,

The Coweta Friends of the Library is a non-profit organization that helps support the programs provided by the Coweta Public Library. When sponsoring a young writers contest was suggested to our group, we immediately loved the idea. We decided to start right away and are very pleased with the support we are receiving from the schools and business leaders in our community.

This year, the Coweta Friends of the Library Young Writers Contest will be for the 4th, 5th, and 6th graders who attend Coweta Schools and for home schooled students in those grades who live in the Coweta School District. Sponsoring a writing contest is new to our organization, but I promise you we will take this contest very seriously. The children of our community deserve nothing less than our best effort.

For this first year of our contest we decided not to limit the entries to a particular topic or type of writing. This will make judging a little more difficult; however, we are looking forward to discovering just how creative our contestants can be. We hope to have the judging completed by the first week in May, but not knowing whether we will have 8 entries or 800 entries makes estimating the time needed for judging a little difficult.

Our carefully selected panels of judges can't wait to get started. We plan to have one group of judges for each grade level. This contest will be blind judged, in other words, the judges will not know the names of the young writers, and the young writers will not know the names of the judges.

All prizes and certificates will be presented to the winners at a reception to be held in their honor at the Coweta Public Library which is located at 120 E. Sycamore. The date of the reception will be announced just as soon as the judging is completed.

Our organization wants this contest to be an exciting event for the students in our community. We feel it is important to showcase the writing skills the students are working so hard to develop.

If you have questions about Coweta Friends of the Library or our young writers contest please feel free to contact Kathy Cox at 918-639-6333 or 918-486-3607, or Caren Hurlbut at 918-486-3828.

Sincerely,

Kathy Cox  
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