

# Nesmith Library Virtual Teen Poetry Slam

## Permission Slip

July 1-August 13

Nesmith Library is hosting its first Teen Poetry Slam. Starting the first day of summer reading, teens grades 7-12 are welcome to submit a video of themselves performing an original work. Submissions will close on August 6, one week before the Slam. Participants must submit this permission slip along with the poem to participate.

**What is a Poetry Slam?** A poetry slam is a spoken word competition where poets perform original works and either the judges or audience vote to choose the winner.

**How is Nesmith doing a virtual Slam?** Participants will submit a video of themselves performing an original work. They will have the choice to enter their poem as part of the competition or just a poem to share. Once all submissions have been collected we will put them into one video that we will stream at the Slam.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make sure to attach a completed permission slip when submitting your poem. Also include the name of your poem. All poems can be emailed to the Teen Librarian Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

- I want to submit my poem to the competition.
- I want to just share my poem and not compete.

Permission slips must be signed by both the participant and parent or guardian. By signing the form, your parent/guardian is giving Nesmith Library permission to share your poetry video on our website and social media.

**Poet's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_