

Dear West Virginia Young Writers Contest Winners, Teachers, and Parents,

Congratulations on being a county winner for the West Virginia Young Writers Contest. You, your teacher, and your family are invited to attend WV Young Writers Day at the University of Charleston in Charleston, WV, on **Friday, May 13th, 2022**. The day begins with a keynote address, followed by writing workshops conducted by distinguished authors. In past years, Marc Harshman, Marie Bradby, Bill Lepp, and Cheryl Ware have presented outstanding sessions. The highlight of the day is the awards ceremony that honors every county winner.

When you check in at the University of Charleston on Friday morning by 9:00 a.m., you will receive your program, a free ticket for a box lunch and one for a family member. Additional lunches can be purchased at that time for \$6.00 each.

In order to be sure enough seating and lunches are available for all attendees, please let me know whether you plan to attend and how many family members will be joining you by calling or e-mailing.

A bookseller will be selling books by the attending authors and other WV authors, so you may want to bring money, a checkbook or charge card. Authors will be available to sign their work at times during the day. We will also have a limited number of WV Young Writers Day t-shirts for sale.

Additional information including maps and hotel/motel information can be found at: www.marshall.edu/cwvwp.

Click on Young Writers on the top and select Young Writers Day from the pull-down menu.

Congratulations on your achievement. I hope you are able to attend! Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,