

Parents and students can choose one poem from the following poems for the fourth grading period. The student’s poetry recitations will be graded according to the following criteria:

1. Posture:
   1. Stands up straight in the front of the room.
   2. Faces the class.
2. Accuracy:
   1. Recites words fluently.
   2. Recites all the words in the poem.
3. Voice:
   1. Speaks loudly.
   2. Clearly pronounces words.
4. Audience Appeal:
   1. Uses eye contact.
   2. Displays enthusiasm.

**Choose one of the following:**

***To My Valentine***

If apples were pears

And peaches were plums,

And if the rose had a different name—

If tigers were bears,

And fingers were thumbs,

I’d love you just the same!

***I Have a Dream***

“I have a dream that my four

Little children will one day live

In a nation where they will not

Be judged by the color of their

Skin but by the content of their

Character.”

* Dr. Martin Luther King

Poetry Recitation: 2/5-2/7

***Abraham Lincoln***

A great man you ought to know,

Lived a long, long time ago.

Abraham Lincoln the President,

Gave freedom to each resident.

He made the world a better place,

For you and all the human race!

***A Smile***

The thing that goes the farthest

Toward making life worthwhile

That costs the least and does the most,

Is just a pleasant smile.