

## Letter of Interest for Junior Poet Laureate Internship

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Diamond Ranch High School  
100 Diamond Ranch Rd, Pomona, CA 91766

To whomever it may concern,

I am writing to express my overwhelming interest in the opening spot for Junior Poet Laureate. As a resident in the city adjacent to Pomona, this may be a point of weakness in my application but I ensure that my eloquent writing and passionate prose make these downsides very easy to overlook. I have been enrolled in the Pomona Unified School District for the majority of my life, first enrolling as a first-grade student at Armstrong Elementary and currently being a junior attending Diamond Ranch High School.

While I have not had the opportunity to write and perform my poetry at a public scale, I have always been fond of writing and I hope to continue this passion well into adulthood. I hope that this position as Junior Poet Laureate can be an avenue for me to gain new experiences and knowledge, as well as spread my love for writing and poetry. With that being said, the Junior Poet Laureate position comes with large responsibilities with which I am not foreign to. I have held multiple positions in leadership through school clubs, I am constantly involved in my community, and I believe that I have the ability to not only share but empower others to pursue their passions of writing. Some of my leadership and notable accomplishments include:

- President of school's APES Club
- Secretary of school's Key Club
- Secretary of school's Interact Club
- Five-year Girl Scout
- 3-year consecutive honor roll student
- 2-year volunteer at annual Special Olympics
- 2-year volunteer at annual Rose Parade
- 6 months working in food service as a waitress
- Volunteer at Pomona Valley Hospital
- 2-year member of school's California Scholarship Federation Club
- 2-year member of school's National Honors Society Club

I am confident I have the skills that are required to be a Junior Poet Laureate. Not only am I qualified in leadership skills, but I am also a very flexible and easy person to work with which is crucial for a job that requires teamwork and cooperation. I am constantly working and building connections with others via Key Club, an international organization that promotes charity and community service as its very top priority. Communication is an important skill to have in the positions I hold and I have gotten extremely good at working with others, no matter how difficult circumstances may be.

I am extremely diligent and hardworking in everything I do. I do not like to cut corners and I will take criticism openly and willingly to further my growth. Both reading and writing have been a significant part of my life and I am beyond thrilled to finally be given an opportunity to share my writing with others, not just as a side hobby. I have been reading and writing creatively for as long as I can remember and I feel that there is no one else more perfect for this position than myself.

I would be beyond honored to be given such a prestigious opportunity to give back to the community that has taken great care of me for the last 12 years of my life.

Sincerely,