

SIJO (KOREAN POETRY) OHIO & KENTUCKY STUDENT COMPETITION

The East Asian Studies Center at The Ohio State University presents a Sijo Competition for K-12 students in Ohio and Kentucky to honor the traditional Korean form of poetry and introduce it to students. New to Sijo? No problem, visit easc.osu.edu/sijo for details to help students write Sijo.

Deadline: April 1, 2023

DIVISIONS:

- High School (grades 9-12)
- Elementary/Middle School (grades K-8)

PRIZES:

- First Place: \$250
- Runner(s) Up: \$150
- Each sponsoring teacher of place winners will receive \$100 of Korea-related materials

FLOW:

Line 1: Introduces subject/theme (Question)

Line 2: Develops subject/theme (Answer)

Line 3: Twist or anti-theme (twist/end)

Note: Grand Prize for KY/OH/WI!

More details about Sijo on website.

RULES:

- Open to Ohio & Kentucky K-12 students.
- Students create original sijo poem.
- Submit Sijo online by April 1, 2023.

SYLLABLES/PAUSES:

- 3 lines, 4 sections per line (12 total)
- Major pause in middle of each line, small pause between other sections.
- 44-46 syllables total, 14-16 per line.
- Lines 1&2:
 - ◇ Similar syllable count and content
 - ◇ Syllables per section 3-4-3-4
- Line 3:
 - ◇ Different syllable count and content (twist)
 - ◇ Syllables per section 3-5-4-3

Website (Sijo submission and details):

<https://easc.osu.edu/sijo>

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